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A

GENEALOGY OF ROBERT SEAVER

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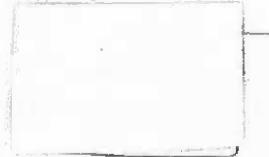
ROXBURY, MASSACHUSETTS,

AND

SOME OF HIS DESCENDANTS.

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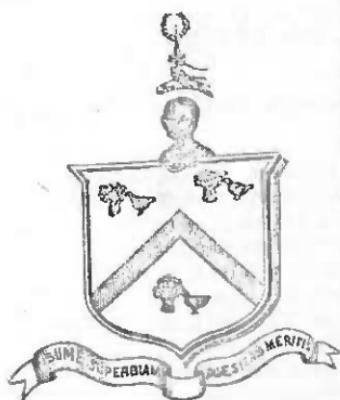
THE following genealogy of Robert Seaver, of Roxbury, Mass., and his descendants, is confined, chiefly, to a few of the branches of Caleb, Joshua, and Nathaniel. Individual members of those respective lines have kindly furnished portions of the information incorporated in these pages; but a greater part of the names and dates here used have been taken from the public records of Roxbury, Dorchester, Brookline, Boston, and Cambridge. Some who have been called upon have either declined or neglected to give what was needed to make these sketches more complete. Should there be found a deficiency in the genealogical details where such parties are interested, the compiler feels in no degree responsible for such deficiency. It is hoped that what is here printed may be in general reliable, correctness having been aimed at in all the particulars. It is respectfully dedicated to those bearing the name, their connections, and friends. Should the members of the family feel inclined to concentrate their efforts, a more extended and valuable genealogy and history might be produced.

The Appendix contains an account of the possessions of Robert Seaver, the emigrant, with an abstract of his will; also, abstracts of the wills and inventories of a number of his descendants.

THE SEAVER FAMILY.

ROBERT SEAVER was born about the year 1608. The place of his nativity has not been ascertained, but the conjecture is, that it was in England.* On the 24th of March, 1633-4, at the age of about 25, he took the oaths of supremacy and allegiance to pass for New-England, in the ship "Mary and John," of London, Robert Sayres, master. (See "Founders of New-

* The annexed is the coat of arms of the Seaver family of Heath Hall, co. Armagh, Ireland. This is the only Seaver coat of arms that we have ever seen or heard of, after a due examination of all the heraldic works that have come under our notice. No connection, however, has been established between the Heath Hall family and the one that settled in Roxbury. The coincidence, surely, is singular, that the Seaver and Heath families of Roxbury have been, in one or more of its branches, related to each other.



It gives us much pleasure to be able to furnish here, an extract of a communication from the Rev. Charles Seaver, incumbent of St. John's church, Belfast, Ireland, to a gentleman of the same name in this city, in reply to inquiries on this subject. The letter is dated, 16 Botanic Avenue, Belfast, Aug. 25, 1871. "The only information I have or can procure," he writes, "is that an ancestor of mine was settled in the Townland of Trea, near Armagh, which he held under the Primate of that See. He married a Miss Symonds, granddaughter of Sir Marmaduke Whitechurch, to whom a grant was made of the abbey lands of Killeary, in the 7th of James I., about 1610. This was about 1650, at which date, they, i.e. the Seavers, were settled at Trea. According to tradition, the ancestor came in Cromwell's army to Ireland; if so, this must have been him; his name was Charles. I searched the Registers at Armagh, but they were not kept before 1750, when the burial of Jonathan Seaver of Trea is noted. What part of England they came from, I have never

England," by Samuel G. Drake, page 70.) He reached Roxbury, Massachusetts, it is probable, previous to June, 1634. On the 10th of December of that year, he married Elizabeth Ballard. In the list of those who had taken the requisite oath, March 26th, to pass for New-England, in the above named vessel, we find the name of William Ballard, who it is presumed was a fellow passenger with Mr. Seaver, and a relative, not unlikely, of Elizabeth. The Roxbury Town Records, in giving the marriage, has the name "Allard;" but the Church Records, in the early list of admissions, has the following explicit paragraph. "Elizabeth Ballard, a maid servant,—she came in the year 1633, and soone after joyned to the church,—she was afterwards married to Robert Seaver of this church, where she led a godly conversation." Mr. Seaver was made freeman, April 18, 1637. The name is variously written on the Records, Seaver, Sever, Seavers, Civer. Robert, the ancestor, wrote his name "*Seaver*," as will be seen by the facsimile, here given, of his signature to a petition to the General Court, dated

May 31, 1647, signed by sixty-four

Robert Sowmer freemen and soldiers of Roxbury,
praying the confirmation by the Court
of Hugh Pritchard as captain of a military company in that town, he being

heard. A branch of the family professing the Roman Catholic religion is settled near Dublin, but they have no better information. The change in their religion was effected, I have heard, by a Roman Catholic nurse. I have searched all the available books on genealogical matters to which I had access, but found nothing further. I enclose the Coat of Arms, Crest and Motto, which we have used at least for a century, but I believe they were then chosen by my grandfather, and that the original Coat of Arms, if any, were lost. I think Burke contains almost all the particulars of which I am informed, and your friend seems to have the books."

The coat of arms herewith presented is substantially the same as the one above alluded to, with the crest and motto, and is thus described in Burke's *Heraldic Illustrations*, accompanied, also, with an engraving:—

Arms.—Argent a chevron gules between three doves pecking sheaves of wheat, proper.

Crest.—A hand and arm, holding a sword erect, encircled by a laurel wreath, all proper.

Motto.—*Sume superbiam quiescam meritis.* [Assume the pride acquired by merit.]

chosen by these persons to act as their commanding officer. This request was complied with, as appears by the entry on the Colony Records at the May session of the same year. "Mr. Prichard, being chosen capt. of y^e traine band in Roxberry, is confirmed by ord' of this Co:te."

In 1635, the General Court agreed that "noe dwelling howse shalbe built above halfe a myle from the meeeting howse, in any newe plantacion," "without leaue from the Court (except myll howses & Ferme howses of such as have their dwelling howses in some towne)." This was confirmed the next year, with an addition to the order, that it should extend to all towns within their jurisdiction. The above statement will explain the following grant of the Court to Robert Seaver and others, May 23, 1639.

"Jasper Gun, Robert Seaver, Abraham Howe, John Tatman and Ralph Sary, vpon their petition, had leave granted them to continue in the houses w^{ch} they have built, and do dwell in, though they bee above halfe a mile from their meeting house." This "halfe a myle law" was repealed in 1640.

Robert Seaver was chosen one of the selectmen of Roxbury, Jan. 15, 1665. Elizabeth, his wife, died June 6, 1657. The Church Record says:— "1657. Buried, mo. 4, day 9, Sister Seaver, y^e wife of Robert Seaver." Also, "1669, mo. 10, day 18, wife to Robert Seaver buried." He must have had a third wife, for in his will, made Jan. 16, 1681, proved July 5, 1683, he provides for his wife (christian name not given) and four children. The names of the latter were, Shubael, Caleb, Joshua, and son Samuel Crafts, who married his daughter Elizabeth. The latter was, probably, dead at the date of the will.

Robert¹ Seaver, according to the Roxbury *Town* Records, died May 13, 1683, aged about 75. The Roxbury *Church* Records say:—"1683, mo. 4, day 6, Robert Seaver an aged Christian buried." How these dates are to be reconciled we are unable to decide.

Robert and Elizabeth (Ballard) Seaver had:—

2. i. Shubael, born Jan. 31, 1639; died Jan. 18, 1729-30.
 3. ii. Caleb, b. Aug. 30, 1641; d. March 6, 1713.
 4. iii. Joshua (twin brother of Caleb), b. Aug. 30, 1641; died before Aug. 25, 1730, when an inventory of his estate was taken.
 iv. Elizabeth, b. Nov. 19, 1643; m. Samuel Crafts, of Roxbury, Oct. 1661. (See Savage's *Dictionary* for the births of their nine children, viz.: Hannah, Samuel, Elizabeth, Samuel, Joseph, Mary, Abigail, Nathaniel and Benjamin.) Mr. Crafts died Dec. 9, 1709.
 5. v. Nathaniel, bap. Jan. 8, 1645. He was slain at Sudbury, Mass., by the Indians, April 21, 1676.
 vi. Hannah, b. Feb. 14, 1647; d. June 3, 1647.
 vii. Hannah, b. Oct. 13, 1650; buried March 3, 1653.

2. SHUBAEL² (*Robert¹*), b. Jan. 31, 1639; m. Hannah Wilson, dau. of Nathaniel Wilson, Feb. 7, 1668. She died Feb. 13, 1721-22, aged 75. He died Jan. 18, 1729-30. They had:—

i. Robert, b. June 7, 1670.
 6. ii. Joseph, b. June 1, 1672; m. in Sudbury, Mary Reed, Dec. 10, 1701; died in 1751.
 iii. Hannah, b. Sept. 1, 1674.
 iv. Abigail, b. July 23, 1677; m. Edmund Cole, March 29, 1705.
 7. v. Shubael, b. Oct. 10, 1679. Will proved Jan. 14, 1757.
 vi. Thankful, b. April 6, 1681; m. March 29, 1705, Richard Mowear. In the Collections of the Essex Institute, vi. 222, this marriage, with the date given as above, from Roxbury Town Records, is entered as of Lynn. It says, farther:—"Thankfull, their daughter, born January 27, 1705-6."

3. CALEB² (*Robert¹*), b. Aug. 30, 1641; d. March 6, 1713. He m. Dec. 15, 1671, Sarah Inglesby or Ingoldsbury, who died Jan. 31, 1703. They had:—

8. i. Caleb, b. March 31, 1673; will proved Jan. 12, 1753.
 ii. Elizabeth, b. Jan. 20, 1675 (which should read, doubtless, 1674-5, as the baptism on the church book stands "24.11.1674"), m. Daniel Hollbrooke, May 29, 1696.
 iii. Nathaniel, b. Oct. 6, 1677; buried March 8, 1688.
 9. iv. Nicholas, b. April 15, 1680; died April 7, 1761.
 10. v. Thomas, b. March 20, 1681; will proved Dec. 21, 1764.
 vi. Sarah, b. Aug. 1, 1686; m. Josiah Winchester, March 25, 1707.

ADDENDA for Seaver Fam. (E7.S 442) p.5.
Lines 1-2: Mary, wife of Joshua² was
daughter of John and Sarah (Brewer) May.

See: Roxbury V.R. I,274, II,275,316,611;
May Geneal., p.2; Savage III, 391; Pepper
Geneal. (E7.S395) p.15.

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4. **JOSHUA²** (*Robert¹*), b. Aug. 30, 1641; m. Feb. 28, 1677, Mary, widow of Joseph Pepper; made freeman March 22, 1689-90; will proved 1730. They had:—

11. i. Joshua, b. Feb. 18, 1678; died intestate. Estate administered upon, Dec. 4, 1739, by his widow Mercy, and Joshua Seaver, weaver.
 ii. Mary, b. March 29, 1683; died May 22, 1683.
 iii. Mary, b. Aug. 15, 1684; m. May 30, 1728, Samuel Paine; removed to Pomfret, Conn.

12. iv. Ebenezer, b. Aug. 1, 1687. Will proved Sept. 3, 1773.
 v. John, bap. Aug. 7, 1687; probably a twin brother of Ebenezer.
 vi. Sarah.
 vii. Jemima, m. John Woods, Dec. 3, 1713.
 viii. Robert, b. Dec. 30, 1697.

13. ix. Robert, b. Dec. 30, 1698; will proved Jan. 25, 1771.

14. x. Jonathan, b. Nov. 8, 1700.

5. **NATHANIEL²** (*Robert¹*), bap. Jan. 8, 1645; slain at Sudbury, by the Indians, April 21, 1670; wife Sarah. They had:—

15. i. John, b. Aug. 18, 1671.
 ii. Sarah, died April 18, 1674.

6. **JOSEPH²** (*Shubael²* *Robert¹*), b. in Roxbury, June 1, 1672; married in Sudbury, Dec. 10, 1701, Mary Read; d. 1754; his will was proved Aug. 26, of that year. They had:—

16. i. Robert, m. Eunice Raymond, of Boston, Sept. 2, 1726; had five children; died in 1752.
 ii. Mary, b. Oct. 5, 1706; m. Christopher Nixon.
 17. iii. Nathaniel, b. April 1, 1709; m. Rebecca Willis, in Sudbury, Feb. 23, 1737-8; had seven children.
 iv. Hannah, b. 1712; m. Jonathan Beleher; d. in Framingham, in 1796.
 v. Elizabeth, b. Jan. 31, 1714; m. Samuel How, Jan. 25, 1738-9.
 vi. Abigail, m. Azariah Walker.

7. **SHUBAEL²** (*Shubael²* *Robert¹*), b. Oct. 10, 1679; m. Abigail Twelves, June 12, 1704; will proved Jan. 14, 1757. They had:—

18. i. Shubael, b. April 25, 1705; m. Mary Rogers, of Boston, July 4, 1734.
 ii. Joseph, b. Jan. 29, 1706.

19. iii. Peter, b. April 15, 1709; m. Hannah Seaver, dau. of Ebenezer³ (12), Nov. 23, 1732; died before July 25, 1755.

iv. David, b. Oct. 19, 1711; d. before July 25, 1755.

v. Abigail, b. Oct. 19, 1711; m. George News, of Boston, Nov. 14, 1728.

vi. Sarah, b. June 26, 1715; m. Ebenezer Payson, of Roxbury, Aug. 20, 1734.

vii. Ebenezer, b. Aug. 1, 1720; d. Feb. 14, 1736-7.

8. CALEB³ (*Caleb² Robert¹*), b. March 31, 1673; m. Hannah Gamblin, May 31, 1704; m. Sarah Polley, Nov. 26, 1723. He died before Jan. 12, 1753. Children by wife Hannah:—

20. i. Benjamin, b. May 21, 1706; m. Deborah Lyon, Oct. 4, 1739. He died before his father; estate administered upon, Jan. 29, 1759.

ii. Sarah, b. Oct. 2, 1709; d. Oct. 6, 1714.

iii. Sarah, b. Oct. 2, 1716.

9. NICHOLAS³ (*Caleb² Robert¹*), b. April 15, 1680; grad. H. C. 1701; ord. Dover, N. H., over the First church, April 11, 1711, and resigned his charge there in the spring of 1715, on account of an impediment in his speech.

Previous to this, in the fall of 1708, the church in Haverhill, Mass., was in want of a pastor. Mr. Sever* was engaged and preached regularly to the people, for a specified time. The inhabitants of the town formally thanked him for his pains and labor in the work among them; desired his continuance and settlement; and chose a committee to confer with him about the matter. March 1st, another meeting was called, at which it was voted to pay Mr. Sever annually twenty pounds in money, and forty pounds in corn, as money, if he would settle in the town. Two weeks afterwards,

* The autograph of Robert¹ Seaver, the ancestor, appears on the Roxbury Town Records several times, where it is uniformly written *Searer*, or what is equivalent, *Seauer*, as in the fac-simile on a previous page of the genealogy. Caleb² the son, and twin-brother of Joshua² wrote his name *Seeror*, as did also his son Nicholas³. The same manner of spelling has been retained in this branch of the family, while the descendants of the other three brothers, Shubael², Joshua² and Nathaniel², as far as our knowledge of them extends, follow the first Robert.

they voted to add one hundred pounds in money to their former offer, "to be improved by him in settling himself with a house," and allow him the use of all the parsonage land. This was indeed a very liberal offer, and the fact that but four persons dissented from it shows that Mr. Sever was highly esteemed by the people of the town.

June 14th, another meeting was held to see about settling Mr. Sever, at which, the town voted to give him four contributions annually, and twenty cords of wood, in addition to what they had previously offered him. They then adjourned to the 21st, when Mr. Sever's proposals were received, read, and declined. The records do not inform us what his proposals were.

Mr. Sever did not continue to preach in town after his proposals were declined. He was succeeded by Rev. Richard Brown, who preached there twenty-four sabbaths. After this, a call was extended to the Rev. Joshua Gardner, who was ordained Jan. 10, 1711. The salary paid to Mr. Gardner seems to have been satisfactory to him, although it was not so large as the one offered by the town to Mr. Sever. Mr. G. died March 21, 1715. (See Chase's *History of Haverhill*, page 281.)

The interim of two years was spent, probably, by Mr. Sever, in preaching in those places where there chanced to be calls for his professional services. In the spring of 1711, as has been before stated, he was ordained in Dover, where he remained four years, and then resigned.

Mr. Sever was Tutor at Harvard College from 1716 to 1728, and Fellow from 1725 to 1728. Some time in the course of the latter year he resigned his office at Cambridge and removed to Kingston, Mass. On the 21st of November, following, he married at K., Sarah (Warren) Little, daughter of James Warren, who was a grandson of Richard Warren of the Mayflower. Her first husband was Charles Little. She died Aug. 25, 1756.

Mr. Sever was Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Plymouth from 1731 to 1762. On the 13th of October, 1757, he married Susannah Winslow.

While connected with Harvard College, as one of the officials, Mr. S. took a prominent part in the discussions which took place as to the relative rights, powers and duties of the Corporation and Overseers under the charter; for some of the particulars of which, see Quincy's *History of Harvard University*. There is a petition, also, extant, on this subject, signed by Nicholas Seaver and Wm. Welsted, addressed to the General Court, Cambridge, June 27, 1727. A copy of this may be found in Ewer MSS., vol. i. p. 78, in the library of the N. E. Historic, Genealogical Society. He died at Kingston, April 7, 1764, aged about 84. The children of Nicholas and Sarah were:—

21. i. William, b. Oct. 12, 1729; died June 15, 1809.
 ii. John, b. Feb. 22, 1730; grad. H. C. 1749; m. Judith Cooper, of Boston, Dec. 13, 1753: was a physician in Kingston; d. Dec. 26, 1760. The Kingston records say:—"Aug. 1, 1761, Wm. Rand, Jr., was published to Mrs. Judith Seaver, widow of Dr. John Seaver;" one daughter, Judith.
 iii. James, b. Jan. 29, 1733; died Sept. 21, 1745.

10. THOMAS³ (*Caleb², Robert¹*), b. March 20, 1681; m. Elizabeth Greely, March 26, 1713; will proved Dec. 21, 1764. They had:—
 i. Caleb, b. Jan. 18, 1713; d. July 4, 1729, of small pox.
 ii. Thomas, b. March 30, 1716; living Feb. 26, 1768.
 iii. Elizabeth, b. March 1, 1718; d. Feb. 6, 1739-40.
 iv. Nicholas, b. May 4, 1720; m. in Dudley, April 3, 1759, Mary Putney, of D.; had Mary, bap. Oct. 17, 1762.
 v. Nathaniel, b. Nov. 5, 1721; m. Elizabeth Craft, Aug. 11, 1743.
 22. vi. Daniel, b. Oct. 30, 1723; m. Abiel Woodward, Oct. 15, 1747.
 vii. Elisha, b. Nov. 23, 1725; estate administered upon, Oct. 2, 1778.
 viii. Elijah, b. Aug. 26, 1728; d. in Roxbury, Feb. 1, 1810.

11. JOSHUA³ (*Joshua², Robert¹*), b. Feb. 18, 1678; m. Mercy Cooke, Feb. 27, 1706-7; d. Sept. 24, 1739. She died June 5, 1759. They had:—
 i. Mary, b. in Dorchester, Feb. 26, 1708-9; d. Oct. 7, 1726.
 23. ii. Joshua, m. Abigail Foster, June 21, 1733.
 iii. Mercy, b. in D., Feb. 18, 1712-13.

24. iv. Samuel b. in D., Dec. 13, 1715; m. Hannah Faxon, of Braintree, April 29, 1739; d. Sept. 28, 1756, "being killed instantly, by the bursting of one of y^e Cannon, at Castle William, where he resided;" had three children.

 v. Elizabeth, b. in D., Oct. 19, 1718; m. Oct. 4, 1739, Jerijah Wales, Jr.

25. vi. William, b. in D., Sept. 2, 1721; d. March 4, 1783.

12. EBENEZER³ (*Joshua², Robert¹*), b. Aug. 1, 1687; m. Margaret Heath; Dec. 2, 1714; d. May 8, 1773. She died Nov. 30, 1765. They had:—

 i. Hannah, b. April 24, 1716; m. Peter Seaver, son of Shubael² (7), Nov. 23, 1732.

 ii. Sarah, b. Aug. 13, 1718; m. John Newell, of Brookline, Oct. 15, 1741.

26. iii. Ebenezer, b. April 26, 1721; m. Mary Weld, Nov. 5, 1755; will proved April 12, 1785.

 iv. Mary, b. Feb. 11, 1725. Estate administered upon, by her brother Ebenezer, May 26, 1769.

 v. Joshua, b. Sept. 11, 1728; d. Sept. 4, 1773.

 vi. Susanna, b. Aug. 28, 1730. Will proved Oct. 6, 1789.

13. ROBERT³ (*Joshua², Robert¹*), b. Dec. 30, 1698; m. Ruth Bird, June 10, 1731; will proved Jan. 25, 1771.

14. JONATHAN³ (*Joshua², Robert¹*), b. Nov. 8, 1700; m. Anna Heath, Dec. 12, 1732; d. in 1754.

15. JOHN³ (*Nathaniel², Robert¹*), b. Aug. 18, 1671; wife Sarah. They had:—

 i. Sarah, b. Feb. 4, 1696; m. Amariah Winchester, Dec. 15, 1714.

27. ii. Nathaniel, b. Dec. 22, 1697; m. Hannah White it is believed, and afterwards, Oct. 23, 1746, Sarah Stevens. He died in Brookline, Oct. 2, 1768.

 iii. John, b. Oct. 6, 1699; d. in Brookline, Oct. 21, 1767.

 iv. Anna, b. in 1701; m. Thomas Stedman, Jr., April 9, 1721.

 v. Lucy, b. Nov. 24, 1703; m. John Goddard, of Brookline, in 1725. She died without children, and Mr. G. m. Sept. 4, 1729, widow Hannah (Jennison) Stone. See Bond's *Watertown*, p. 241.

28. vi. Andrew, b. in 1705; wife Elizabeth. She died May 14, 1763, aged 45. (Brookline Records.)

- vii. Mary, b. in 1707.
- viii. Richard, b. in 1710; m. Hannah Everett, of Roxbury, Nov. 30, 1748.
- ix. Esther, b. Nov. 13, 1712; m. Edward Sheaf, Cambridge, Dec. 1, 1756.
- x. Elizabeth, b. Sept. 12, 1715.

16. ROBERT⁴ (*Joseph³ Shubael² Robert¹*), m. Eunice Raymond, Boston, Sept. 2, 1726. They had:—

- i. Joseph, b. June 10, 1727. (Sudbury Records.)
- ii. Benjamin, b. Oct. 8, 1728. (Framingham Records.)
- iii. Thankful, b. Oct. 6, 1731.
- iv. Samuel, b. April 8, 1747. (Sudbury Records.)
- v. Hannah.

17. NATHANIEL⁴ (*Joseph³ Shubael² Robert¹*), b. April 1, 1709; m. Rebecca Willis, in Sudbury, Feb. 23, 1737-8. They had:—

- i. Elijah, b. June 16, 1739; m. Bethiah Hosley, Westminster, Mass., Jan. 1, 1767.
- ii. Anna, b. Jan. 3, 1740; d. probably before Jan. 5, 1759.
- iii. Josiah Willis, b. July 18, 1742; probably lived in Sterling. (Framingham Records.)
- iv. Rebecca, b. Feb. 3, 1743.
- v. Joseph, b. Jan. 26, 1746.
- vi. Mary, b. Jan. 26, 1746.
- vii. Catharine, bap. Aug. 28, 1748; m. 1st, Dyer; 2d, Thomas Mellins; lived in Petersham. (Barry's Framingham.)
- viii. Nathaniel.

Nathaniel⁴, father of the above children, m. (2d w.) Judith Treadway, of Framingham, July 17, 1754, and had Luther, Calvin, Fanny, Robert, Betty, Richard Crafts, and John Reed. [Ibid. p. 380.]

Mr. Barry says Nathaniel⁴ lived, 1749, near Moses Cutting's, Framingham, and was of Westminster, July 17, 1754, when he married Judith Treadway, as above stated. He died of small pox in Petersham, 1777. Mr. Slaster (*Slaster Memorial*, p. 48) says he resided (besides the other three places) perhaps in Sterling.

18. SHUBAEL⁴ (*Shubael³ Shubael² Robert¹*), b. April 25, 1705; m. Mary Rogers, July 4, 1734. They had:—

- i. Abigail, b. May 17, 1735.
- ii. Mary, b. Aug. 17, 1736.
- iii. Shubael, b. Aug. 11, 1740; m. Deliverance, dau. of Lieut. Noah Hyde, 1761, and had 1, *Deliverance*,⁶ Feb. 7, 1767; 2, *Mary*,⁶ Nov. 8, 1764. (Jackson's *Newton*, p. 405.) *Ruth 1771 Farningham*
- iv. Sarah, bap. Sept. 8, 1751.

19. PETER⁴ (*Shubael³ Shubael² Robert¹*), b. April 15, 1709; m. Hannah, dau. of Ebenezer³ (12) and Margaret (Heath) Seaver, Nov. 23, 1732. They had:—

- i. William, b. Oct. 1, 1733; d. April 12, 1818.
- ii. Peter, b. Feb. 5, 1734.
- iii. Ebenezer, b. Oct. 21, 1737; m. Sarah Johnson (b. 1743), March 31, 1763; d. in Boston, April 14, 1812.
- iv. Mary, b. March 4, 1739.
- v. Margaret, b. Sept. 10, 1741.

20. BENJAMIN⁴ (*Caleb³ Caleb² Robert¹*), b. May 24, 1706; m. Deborah Lyon, Oct. 4, 1739. They had:—

- i. Sarah, b. Feb. 6, 1740.
- ii. Hannah, b. Aug. 7, 1742.

21. WILLIAM⁴ (*Nicholas³ Caleb, Robert¹*), b. in Kingston, Mass., Oct. 12, 1729; grad. H. C. 1745; m. Dec. 2, 1755, Sarah Warren (b. May 13, 1730), of Plymouth, dau. of James and Penelope (Winslow) Warren, both lineal descendants of Edward Winslow and Richard Warren of the Mayflower. She died March 15, 1797. He m. June 19, 1798, Mrs. Mercy Russell, who died Feb. 9, 1840. Mr. Sever died June 15, 1809. He was for fifteen years in succession in political life, at the most important period of our history, as representative, member of the provincial congress, at one time president of the council, and delivered the Message, Nov. 10, 1779; was also

state senator. (See Bradford's *Biographical Notices of Distinguished Men in New-England*, printed in 1842.)

The children of William and Sarah (Warren) Sever were:—

- 30. i. Sarah, b. Oct. 3, 1757; d. Nov. 24, 1787.
- 31. ii. William, b. June 23, 1759; d. Oct. 26, 1798.
- 32. iii. James, b. Nov. 2, 1761; d. Dec. 16, 1815.
- iv. Ann Warren, b. Sept. 25, 1763; d. Jan. 19, 1788, unmarried.
- 33. v. John, b. May 7, 1766; d. Nov. 7, 1803.

22. DANIEL⁴ (*Thomas*,³ *Caleb*,² *Robert*¹), b. Oct. 30, 1723; m. Abiel Woodward, Oct. 15, 1747. They had:—

- i. Abigail, b. June 2, 1748. Was she the Abigail who died at Cambridge, aged 90, May 16, 1639?
- ii. Thomas, b. Nov. 10, 1750.
- iii. Lydia, b. March 11, 1756.
- iv. Ichabod, b. Feb. 27, 1759.
- v. Elisha, b. July 27, 1761.
- vi. William, b. Oct. 19, 1765.
- vii. Caleb, bap. Sept. 1, 1768.
- viii. Susanna, b. Jan. 25, 1770.

23. JOSHUA⁴ (*Joshua*,³ *Joshua*,² *Robert*¹), m. Abigail Foster, both of Dorchester, June 21, 1733. They had:—

- i. Mary, b. April 19, 1734.
- ii. Comfort, b. May 18, 1736.
- iii. Mercy, b. Oct. 11, 1738.

Abigail, wife of Joshua, d. Aug. 29, 1761. He m. Elizabeth Bradley, of Dorchester, March 29, 1764.

34. iv. Jonathan, b. Aug. 27, 1741; m. Priscilla, dau. of Isaiah and Rebecca Leeds. She d. Oct. 10, 1787, in the 33d year of her age.

- v. Abigail, b. Jan. 4, 1743-4.
- vi. Elizabeth, b. April 13, 1752; m. John Horton, of Dorchester, June 27, 1756.

24. SAMUEL⁴ (*Joshua*,³ *Joshua*,² *Robert*¹), b. Dec. 13, 1715; m. Hannah

Faxon, of Braintree, April 29, 1739; d. Sept. 28, 1756, "being killed, instantly, by the bursting of one of y^e Cannon at Castle William, where he resided." They had:—

- i. Samuel, b. Sept. 22, 1739; d. Jan. 13, 1739-40.
- ii. Joseph, b. March 13, 1750.
- iii. Hannah, b. Jan. 5, 1753.

25. WILLIAM³ (*Joshua² Joshua² Robert¹*), b. Sept. 2, 1721; m. Patience Trescott, both of Dorchester, Feb. 1, 1742. She was born March 20, 1723; d. March 15, 1799. He died March 4, 1782 or 83. They had:—

35. i. William, b. May 8, 1743; d. July 28, 1815.
- ii. Ebenezer, b. Feb. 26, 1744-5; d. April 19, 1775.
- iii. Sarah, b. Feb. 3, 1746.
- iv. Rebecca, b. May 14, 1749.
- v. Ruth, b. Aug. 27, 1751; m. Jonathan Clark, Nov. 10, 1772.
- vi. Jonathan, b. Dec. 20, 1753.
- vii. Elizabeth, b. March 29, 1756.
- viii. Patience, b. Sept. 16, 1758.
37. ix. Waitstill, b. Aug. 27, 1761.
- x. Mary, b. April 10, 1761; d. July 30, 1764.
- xi. Robert, b. July 19, 1766; d. Aug. 21, 1766.

26. EBENEZER⁴ (*Ebenezer³ Joshua² Robert¹*), b. April 26, 1721; m. Mary Weld, Nov. 5, 1755, who d. May 8, 1766. He m. afterwards, Tabitha Davenport (b. Aug. 9, 1737), dau. of Ebenezer and Submit Davenport, of Dorchester, who died March 1, 1804, in her 67th year. Children by his wife Mary:—

- i. Mary, b. Sept. 1, 1756; d. Nov. 19, 1763.
- ii. Hannah, b. Oct. 30, 1758; m. James Lewis, of Roxbury, May 24, 1786; d. in 1839; another account says, March, 1810.
- iii. Jonathan, b. May 19, 1761; d. March 6, 1763.
38. iv. Ebenezer, b. July 5, 1763; d. March 1, 1844.

Children by his wife Tabitha:—

- v. Margaret, b. April 18, 1772; d. Feb. 20, 1776.

vi. Joshua, b. Sept. 30, 1774; d. Oct. 11, 1774.

vii. Margaret, b. Oct. 21, 1775; m. Rufus Kelton, Dec. 11, 1804; d. Feb. 25, 1816.

39. viii. Joshua, b. Jan. 15, 1779; d. Sept. 11, 1833.

27. NATHANIEL⁴ (*John³ Nathaniel² Robert¹*), b. Dec. 22, 1697; m. Hannah White, d. in Brookline, Feb. 20, 1742. He m. Sarah Stevens, Oct. 23, 1746. Mr. Seaver died in Brookline, Oct. 2, 1768, aged 70. Children by his wife Hannah:—

i. Benjamin, b. Sept. 11, 1729; d. before Sept. 17, 1768.

ii. Hannah, b. Nov. 13, 1730.

iii. Lucy, b. Nov. 24, 1731.

iv. Sarah, b. April 12, 1733; m. Mr. Gardner.

v. Hannah, b. July 16, 1735; m. John Goddard, of Brookline (his second wife). She died May 31, 1821; had 12 sons and 4 daughters. See Bond's *Watertown*, p. 212; "Goddard Genealogy," p. 16.

40. vi. Abijah, b. Aug. 31, 1737.

vii. Lucy, b. Feb. 17, 1739-40; m. Nathaniel Miriam, April 29, 1767.

viii. Mary.

ix. Elizabeth, m. Mr. Warner.

x. Susanna, unmarried.

xi. Nathaniel, m. ——; had three children, viz.: — Nathaniel₅ Frank; Elizabeth, who m. Moses Grant.

28. ANDREW⁴ (*John³ Nathaniel² Robert¹*), b. in 1705; wife Elizabeth.

Children born in Cambridge:—

i. Andrew, b. March 28, 1736.

ii. Elizabeth, b. March 25, 1738; m. Ephraim Burridge, Cambridge, June 16, 1768.

iii. Ebenezer, b. April 17, 1740.

Children born in Dorchester:—

iv. Jerusha, b. June 10, 1744; m. Edward Park.

v. Sarah, b. Dec. 11, 1746. Was not this the Sarah Seaver who m. Joseph₅ Hewes, March 19, 1767, afterwards Whitney?

vi. John, b. in Cambridge, Aug. 11, 1749.

vii. Abigail, b. in Cambridge, April 9, 1752.

viii. Mary, b. in Cambridge, Jan. 19, 1755.

ix. Richard, b. in Cambridge, June 30, 1757.
 x. Anna, b. in Cambridge, Aug. 9, 1759.
 xi. Hannah, b. in Cambridge, May 1, 1763; m. Mr. Adams.

29. EBENEZER³ (*Peter⁴ Shubacl⁵ Shubacl² Robert¹*), b. Oct 21, 1737; m. March 31, 1763, Sarah, dau. of Zachariah and Elizabeth (Quiney) Johonnot. Zachariah was the eldest son of Daniel Johonnot, one of the French Huguenots. (See N. E. Hist. & Gen. Reg., vii., 141, 142). Mr. Seaver was a distiller, and for several years Treasurer of the County of Suffolk. He died in Boston, April 14, 1812. They had:—

- i. Ebenezer, b. June 7, 1763; d. Sept. 19, 1827.
- ii. Sarah, b. Sept. 8, 1765.
- iii. Zachariah, b. Feb. 4, 1767; d. Jan. 5, 1809.
- iv. Elizabeth, b. April 1, 1768.
- v. Peter Johonnot, b. Oct. 18, 1770; d. at Savannah, Sept. 1804.

30. SARAH³ (*William⁴ Nicholas⁵ Caleb² Robert¹*), b. Oct. 3, 1757; m. Aug. 12, 1784, Hon. Thomas Russell, an eminent merchant of Boston. She died in Boston, Nov. 24, 1787. They had:—

- 41. i. Sarah Russell, b. Dec. 1, 1786; d. June 8, 1831.

31. WILLIAM³ (*William⁴ Nicholas⁵ Caleb² Robert¹*), b. June 23, 1759; m. Oct. 30, 1785, Mary Chandler, dau. of John Chandler of Worcester, and died Oct. 26, 1798. They had:—

- 42. i. Penelope Winslow, b. July 21, 1786; d. April 2, 1872.
- 43. ii. Anne Warren, b. Oct. 21, 1789; d. Jan. 30, 1813.
- iii. William James, b. Aug. 16, 1793; m. Adeline Trask, of Gloucester, Nov. 19, 1819; d. in Nachitoches, La., Sept. 15, 1835. He entered the United States Army during the war with England; served to the close, when the army was reduced.

32. JAMES³ (*William⁴ Nicholas⁵ Caleb² Robert¹*), b. Nov. 2, 1761; m. Jane Russell, of Plymouth, Feb. 22, 1796. He grad. H. C. 1781, and immediately joined the army of the revolution. He continued

in this service to the end of the war. In 1798, he was appointed one of the first six Post Captains in the U. S. Navy, by President Adams. He superintended the building of the Frigate "Congress," at Portsmouth, N. H., and was afterwards her Commander. He retired from the Navy in 1801, and settled at Kingston, where he died Dec. 16, 1845. They had:—

44. i. James Warren, b. July 1, 1797; d. Jan. 16, 1871.
 ii. Thomas Russell, b. Oct. 28, 1798; d. at sea, off the Cape of Good Hope, Sept. 15, 1836.
 iii. Jane Russell, b. Jan. 13, 1802.
 iv. Elizabeth Parsons, b. June 5, 1803.
 v. Sarah Ann Warren, b. July 20, 1805.

33. JOHN⁵ (*William⁴ Nicholas³ Caleb² Robert¹*), b. May 7, 1766; grad. H. C. 1787; m. May 24, 1790, Nancy Russell; d. Nov. 7, 1803. She died May 14, 1848. She was sister of Jane Russell who married his brother Captain James, and daughter of the second wife of Wm. Sever. They had:—

i. William R., b. May 30, 1791; H. C. 1811; lawyer, for many years County Treasurer of the County of Plymouth.
 45. ii. John, b. Nov. 4, 1792; first President of the Old Colony Rail Road; d. at Kingston, Feb. 1, 1855.
 46. iii. James Nicholas, b. in Kingston, Dec. 13, 1793; d. April 9, 1869.
 47. iv. Charles, b. April 9, 1795; d. in Plymouth, Oct. 17, 1834.
 v. Winslow Warren, b. Oct. 16, 1796; grad. H. C. 1818; d. Jan. 19, 1832; at Dorchester. He married Charlotte Freeman, of Sandwich; commanded the company of "Boston Sea Fencibles."
 48. vi. Sarah Winslow, b. Sept. 3, 1798.

34. JONATHAN⁶ (*Joshua⁴ Joshua³ Joshua² Robert¹*), b. Aug. 27, 1741; m. Priscilla, dau. of Isaiah and Rebecca Leeds, who died Oct. 10, 1787, in the 33d year of her age. They had:—

i. Joseph, b. July 6, 1774.
 ii. Jonathan, b. Aug. 3, 1778.
 iii. William, b. Nov. 4, 1780.

iv. Samuel, b. Sept. 15, 1782; d. Oct. 7, 1782.
 v. Beekee Bradley, b. Jan. 16, 1784; d. April 7, 1794.

35. WILLIAM³ (*William⁴, Joshua³, Joshua², Robert¹*), b. in Dorchester, May 8, 1743; removed to Taunton about the year 1770, and located near the Taunton River, on what is now called Ingell street. His homestead is still standing. He was generally known throughout Bristol county as Major Seaver, having been brigade major for many years. He was connected with the state service from 1775 until 1808. He married, first, Mary Foster, of Dorchester, Oct. 15, 1767. She died July 9, 1768, in the 26th year of her age. They had one child, Molly Foster Seaver, who married Samuel Caswell, of Taunton, the father of Prof. Alexis Caswell, of Brown University. She d. July 9, 1768. He married for his second wife, Mrs. Thankful Stetson, of Braintree, Feb. 20, 1771. She died in Taunton. William died in Taunton, July 28, 1815. They had:—

49. i. John, b. March 4, 1771; d. Feb. 14, 1853.
 50. ii. Nathaniel, b. Feb. 7, 1773; d. Oct. 27, 1827.
 iii. Hannah, b. March 19, 1775; d. 1830; m. Barney.
 51. iv. Benjamin, b. April 28, 1777; lost at sea.
 52. v. William, b. March 28, 1779; d. Feb. 8, 1869.
 vi. Samuel, b. Aug. 6, 1781; d. July 27, 1806.

36. EBENEZER³ (*William⁴, Joshua³, Joshua², Robert¹*), b. in Dorchester, Feb. 26, 1744-5; removed to Taunton about the same time that his brother William did, in 1770; lived on what was called the Pound Farm. He was married twice; first, to Ruth Field, of Milton, in 1766; his second wife was named Beebe, of Newport. He died April 19, 1775. Their children were:—

i. Ruth.	iii. Mary.
ii. Sarah.	iv. Hanuah.
v. Horace, a Baptist minister, removed to New-York, where his descendants now live.	
53. vi. Nathan.	

37. WAITSTILL⁴ (*William*,⁴ *Joshua*,³ *Joshua*,² *Robert*¹), b. Aug. 27, 1761; m. John Green (b. July 10, 1753). They had:—

- i. Elizabeth Green, b. June 17, 1781.
- ii. Betsey Green, b. Oct. 16, 1787.
- iii. Amasa Green, b. Sept. 27, 1790.
- iv. Harriet Green, b. Aug. 4, 1793.
- v. Oliver Green, b. Dec. 3, 1795.
- vi. Caleb Green, b. Nov. 2, 1798.
- vii. Nancy, b. Nov. 12, 1800.

38. EBENEZER⁵ (*Ebenezer*,⁴ *Ebenezer*,³ *Joshua*,² *Robert*¹), b. July 5, 1763; m. Elizabeth Clap (b. Jan. 10, 1767), dau. of Noah Clap, of Dorchester, Dec. 22, 1788. She died Feb. 22, 1833. He died March 1, 1844.

The notice that follows was furnished by Ebenezer Clapp, Esq., of Dorchester.

“Hon. Ebenezer Seaver was educated at Harvard College, from which institution he graduated in 1784.

Instead of studying a profession, as was the case with a large portion of the graduates of that day, he chose the calling of a farmer. The fine rich acres of his ancestors had descended to him, and he enjoyed their cultivation. His table was abundantly supplied with the best the market afforded, as the writer hereof can testify, and gave one the idea of a substantial country gentleman.

He was chosen a member of congress in Norfolk district from 1803 to 1813, a period of ten years. He was a member of the State Constitutional Convention of 1820. He was well versed in the history of his country, and true to what he held to be its highest interests. He belonged to the republican in distinction from the federal party of that day. He was in favor of the embargo, and advocated the declaration of war with Great Britain in 1812. He had much influence with the administration during his several terms in congress; was a great admirer of Jefferson, who was his

model of a gentleman, a statesman and politician. Party spirit at that time was exceedingly high; and numerous were the insults offered him by his opponents, but he bore them with patience and great forbearance. He was, however, more intimately known to his townsmen by his long continued services as selectman, representative to the general court from 1794 to 1802, and moderator of their town meetings. Here he came in contact with his fellow citizens; he knew their history, and the history of their progenitors back to the first settlement of Roxbury. For many years he held the first named office, was generally chairman of the board, and administered their affairs with scrupulous integrity, wisdom and economy. Swindlers and impostors fared hard under his administration, and it was the prevalent opinion that he was more careful and attentive to the affairs of the town, than to his own. No person was so wealthy, or so high, but he would denounce him if he was dishonest. In 1832, the town of Roxbury passed him a vote of thanks 'for his long, faithful and unremitting services for nearly forty years past.'

Notwithstanding his peculiar views in relation to religious opinions and customs, holding sentiments which would now perhaps be termed of the free religious type, his friends, associates and the public had the most unbounded confidence in his integrity and honor. While he was not obtrusive in urging or parading his own views, he was candid, and tolerant of the opinions of others. With all these traits were combined many of the old puritan character. He was tender-hearted as a child; he felt deeply for the sufferings and woes of humanity, yet was firm in every post of honor or of duty, and inflexible against all encroachments prejudicial to the public weal, by whomsoever made.

In his death the town lost an honest man, his neighbors a counsellor and friend."

Ebenezer and Elizabeth (Clap) Seaver had:—

i. Elizabeth, b. Sept. 20, 1789; d. July 19, 1793.

ii. Ebenezer, b. May 12, 1791; d. July 31, 1865; m. Clarissa Weld, Jan. 19, 1817; had *Ebenezer*,⁷ *Jacob Weld*,⁷ and *George*,⁷

iii. Jonathan, b. June 9, 1793; m. Mary Plummer. He died Jan. 13, 1865.

iv. Elizabeth, b. July 9, 1795; m. Benjamin Baker Davis, of Brookline, Jan. 24, 1839. She was his second wife.

54. v. Sarah, b. April 8, 1797; m. July 27, 1820, Thomas Parker.

vi. Susannah, b. July 13, 1799; d. Sept. 2, 1801.

vii. Joshua, b. May 6, 1801; lost at sea in December, 1832.

viii. Susannah, b. April 26, 1803; d. March 7, 1870.

ix. Lucy, b. Feb. 19, 1805; d. Oct. 16, 1822.

x. Nathaniel, b. March 11, 1807; d. July 16, 1832.

39. JOSHUA⁵ (*Ebenezer*,⁴ *Ebenezer*,³ *Joshua*,² *Robert*¹), b. Jan. 15, 1779; m. Nancy Sumner, April 6, 1803. He died Sept. 11 (record says Aug. 11), 1833. She died Oct. 23, 1837, aged 57 years, 6 months. They had:—

i. Joshua, d. Nov. 15, 1803.

ii. Rufus Kelton, b. Oct. 19, 1804; d. Oct. 5, 1805.

iii. Ann Tabitha, b. Jan. 31, 1806.

55. iv. Nathaniel, b. Dec. 14, 1807; m. Ann Jane Codman, March 3, 1833.

v. John Prince, b. Sept. 11, 1809; d. Dec. 1861.

vi. Robert, b. Feb. 23, 1812.

vii. Seth Sumner, b. July 10, 1816; d. Feb. 21, 1817.

viii. William, b. March 17, 1818.

ix. Joseph, b. Dec. 22, 1819; d. March 8, 1821.

x. Joseph, b. Sept. 7, 1822.

40. ABIJAH⁵ (*Nathaniel*,⁴ *John*,³ *Nathaniel*,² *Robert*¹), b. Aug. 31, 1737; m. Anne Winchester, of Brookline, March 29, 1764. They had:—

i. William, b. May 6, 1765; m. Lucy Heath, dau. of Peleg Heath, Dec. 1, 1796. She died Feb. 9, 1807, aged 37. They had three children:—
 1. *Elizabeth*,⁷ *Curtis*, b. Oct. 2, 1797. 2. *William*,⁷ b. Dec. 31, 1799; d. in Nelson, N. H. 3. *Abijah*,⁷ b. Oct. 4, 1800. 4. *Lucy Heath*,⁷ b. in 1805.

56. ii. Benjamin, b. Sept. 28, 1766; m. Debby Loud, dau. of Francis and Joanna (Dyer) Loud, May 25, 1794; had five children. He died June 29, 1815.

57. iii. Joseph, bap. Jan. 20, 1771.

- iv. Nathaniel, bap. May 16, 1773; m. Lydia Wilson, Nov. 1, 1798; had three children, viz.: 1. *Mary*,⁷ b. Aug. 26, 1799. 2. *Ann Winchester*,⁷ b. June 26, 1805. 3. *Martha*,⁷ A Nathaniel Seaver d. July 4, 1806.
- v. Polly, m. Levi Pratt; had one child, *Mary Ann*,⁷ m. George Archibald. They had *Mary Ann*,⁸ who m. Charles V. Gerry.

41. SARAH⁶ RUSSELL, only child of Hon. Thomas Russell (*Sarah⁵ Sever, William⁴ Nicholas³ Caleb² Robert¹*), b. Dec. 1, 1786; m. Richard Sullivan, May 22, 1804; d. June 8, 1881. They had:—

- i. Elizabeth Lowell Sullivan, b. Aug. 22, 1805; d. April 18, 1833.
- ii. Sarah Sever Sullivan, b. March 30, 1808; m. Stephen Higginson Perkins, Nov. 22, 1831. Children:—1. *Francis William⁸ Perkins*, b. Dec. 26, 1832; m. Frances Ann McDonald, Jan. 13, 1863. They had:—*Sarah Sullivan⁹ Perkins*, b. Feb. 7, 1861; *Caroline Elizabeth⁹ Perkins*, b. Dec. 22, 1868. 2. *Stephen George⁸ Perkins*, b. Sept. 18, 1835; killed at Cedar Mountain battle, Aug. 9, 1862. 3. *Richard Sullivan⁸ Perkins*, b. Nov. 12, 1837; m. Susan K. Adams (b. Feb. 21, 1836) Dec. 25, 1863.
- iii. Anna Cabot Lowell Sullivan, b. Dec. 7, 1810; m. Rev. Francis Cunningham, Oct. 8, 1831; d. Sept. 6, 1840; no children.
- iv. Richard Sullivan, b. March 2, 1814; d. May 31, 1815.
- v. Mary Russell Sullivan, b. Jan. 28, 1816; d. April 27, 1828.
- vi. Richard Sullivan, b. March 19, 1820; married Henrietta Gardiner, Sept. 10, 1864; no children.
- vii. Francis William Sullivan, b. Nov. 4, 1821; d. Dec. 2, 1824.
- viii. James Sullivan, b. June 27, 1829; d. March 28, 1866.

42. PENELOPE WINSLOW⁶ SEVER (*William⁵ William⁴ Nicholas³ Caleb² Robert¹*), b. July 21, 1786; m. Levi Lincoln, of Worcester, Sept. 6, 1807 (b. Worcester, Oct. 25, 1782, H. C. 1802, d. in W., May 29 1868). She d. April 2, 1872. They had:—

- i. Sarah Warren Lincoln, b. May, 1808; lived eleven days.
- ii. Levi Lincoln, b. Aug. 23, 1810; served several years in the United States Navy; d. Sept. 1, 1845.
- iii. William Sever Lincoln, b. Nov. 22, 1811; m. Elizabeth Trumbull, of Worcester, Oct. 22, 1835; served as Lt. Col. 31th Regiment Mass. Infantry, about three years during the rebellion; Oct. 14, 1861, colonel commanding—discharged by expiration of service; Jun. 6, 1865, ap-

pointed colonel et brevet brigadier general of U. S. Volunteers : severely wounded in battle, which disabled his right arm. Their children were :—1. *William*,⁸ b. Sept. 15, 1839; d. Aug. 13, 1869. *Levi*,⁸ b. April 27, 1841; m. Mary S. Maynard, of Worcester, Oct. 31, 1867. 3. *George Trumbull*,⁸ b. Feb. 5, 1847; d. Feb. 7, 1869, unmarried. 4. *Winslow*,⁸ b. Oct. 3, 1818.

William,⁸ above, who died in 1869, served in the United States Worcester Light Infantry, which was attached to the famous 6th Massachusetts Regiment, from April, 1861, until discharged by expiration of service in August, 1861.

Levi,⁸ born in 1841, the second son of *William Sever Lincoln*, served in the 34th Massachusetts Infantry as 2d 1st lieut. and adjutant; discharged in 1861, by reason of disability from a disease contracted in the service. He has a son, *William Sever Lincoln*, b. April 11, 1870.

iv. *Daniel Waldo Lincoln*, b. Jan. 16, 1813; II. C. 1831; m. Nov. 30, 1811, *Frances Fiske Merrick*, of Worcester. Children :—1. *Frances Merrick*,⁸ b. July 1, 1843. 2. *Mary Waldo*,⁸ b. Sept. 15, 1845. 3. *Anne Warren*,⁸ b. Feb. 6, 1848; d. July 31, 1849. 4. *Daniel Waldo*,⁸ b. Dec. 31, 1849.

v. *Penelope Sever Lincoln*, b. July 1, 1815; m. *Mahlon Dickinson Canfield*, of New-Jersey, May 24, 1843; had one child, *Penelope Winslow Sever*,⁸ b. Dec. 30, 1845.

vi. *George Lincoln*, b. Oct. 19, 1816; m. *Nancy Board*, of Ogdensburg, N. Y., May 21, 1839; killed at the battle of Buena Vista, Mexico; had a daughter, *Georgiana De Villars*,⁸ b. May 10, 1840, m. *Francis Blake Rice*, of Worcester, Jan. 8, 1861, and d. in child-bed, Dec. 28, 1861.

vii. *Anne Warren Lincoln*, b. Aug. 29, 1818; d. July 24, 1846.

viii. *John Waldo*, — name changed to *Edward Winslow Lincoln* in 1846, — b. Dec. 2, 1820; m. March 29, 1848, *Sarah Rhodes Arnold* (b. Mar. 29, 1827, d. July 1, 1856). Children :—1. *Eliza Paddleford*,⁸ b. Aug. 31, 1850, d. May 7, 1851. 2. *John Waldo*,⁸ b. Oct. 30, 1852. 3. *Arnold*,⁸ b. Oct. 27, 1853, d. July 27, 1854. 4. *Charles Frederick*,⁸ b. June 16, 1856, d. June 17, 1856. He married second, Aug. 4, 1858, *Kate Von Weber Wanton*. Children :—5. *Annie Marston*,⁸ b. Oct. 25, 1859. 6. *Marian Vinal*,⁸ b. May 27, 1862. 7. *Marston*,⁸ b. June 23, 1864. 8. *Adeline Sever*,⁸ b. June 17, 1867. 9. *Helen*,⁸ b. April 8, 1870.

43. ANNE WARREN⁶ SEVER (*William*,⁸ *William*,⁴ *Nicholas*,³ *Caleb*,² *Robert*,¹) b. Oct. 24, 1789; m. *Rev. John Brazer, D.D.*, of Worcester (II. C. 1813, minister at Salem), April 19, 1821; d. in South Carolina, Jan. 30, 1843. They had :—

- i. Mary Chandler Brazer, b. July 13, 1823; m. John Wait Draper, of Dorchester, Sept. 30, 1851; have one child, *John Brazer⁸ Draper*, b. Nov. 28, 1853.
- ii. John Allen Brazer, b. Sept. 9, 1826; d. March 25, 1861. } twins.
- iii. William Brazer, b. " " d. July 17, 1849.
- iv. Anne Warren Brazer, b. June 10, 1829; m. Henry P. Ellis, of Boston, Oct. 2, 1851. Children: 1. *Katherine⁸ Ellis*, b. April 7, 1857. 2. *William Brazer⁸ Ellis*, b. Oct. 25, 1858. 3. *Mary Brazer⁸ Ellis*, b. June 11, 1862
- v. Edward Winslow Brazer, b. Nov. 17, 1831; d. in Dorchester, June 8, 1854, unmarried.

44. JAMES WARREN⁸ (*James³ William⁴ Nichols⁵ Caleb² Robert¹*), b. July 1, 1797. The following sketch of his life was read before the New-England Historic, Genealogical Society, April 5, 1871, by Charles W. Tuttle, Esq., assistant historiographer:—

*He entered Dummer Academy in 1811, and there fitted for college. Two years later he entered Harvard College, and graduated in 1817, being the fourth graduate in his line of descent, his father, grandfather and great-grandfather having graduated at this institution. Among his classmates, afterward distinguished, were, Caleb Cushing, George Bancroft, and President Woods of Bowdoin College. While in college he gave much attention to military studies and exercise, and was member and commander of the Harvard Washington Company, a military organization composed of students of the senior and junior classes. On the occasion of the visit of President Munroe to Cambridge in 1817, this company performed escort duty under the command of young Sever. The president was so much pleased with his military bearing and capacity that he urged him to go to West Point, and qualify himself for a command in the army. The next year, having graduated, he was appointed a cadet in the Academy; but his mother prevailed on him not to accept the appointment, she being averse to such a calling, much against his own inclination. He immediately entered the law-office of Gov. Levi Lincoln in Worcester, and there pursued his studies two

years. While yet a law student he delivered the 4th of July oration at Leicester, in 1820, his subject being, "The Era of Good Feeling." In October of this year he quit Worcester, and entered the merchant marine service, in the employ of the house of Thomas H. Perkins, of Boston. This he did at the suggestion and urgency of James Perkins of that firm. His first voyage was to the North West Coast of America. He continued in the service of this house till 1835, being part of the time in command of an East Indiaman. He commanded the "Alert," the first ship that ever entered the Canton River without issuing the usual rations of ardent spirits to officers and men.

On quitting the sea he settled in Boston, where he was member of the common council in 1850 and 1851. His refusal to pledge himself to a particular policy in reference to the fire department of the city, prevented his election to the office of alderman, by a few votes, in 1852. In 1853, and again in 1856, he was member of the house of representatives, and chairman of the committee of finance on both occasions. His reports on the financial condition of the commonwealth were regarded able state papers, and gave him the reputation of being master of finance.

His early fondness for military life never left him. He connected himself with the Independent Corps of Cadets, and was adjutant of the same in 1844. He devoted much time to the discipline of this company, "in order," to use his own words, "that by its example as a body guard to the governor of the commonwealth, it might stimulate the wanling military spirit of the state militia." In 1849, having filled all the intermediate grades of office, he was elected lieutenant colonel of the Cadets, which office he held two years. On the occasion of the presentation of a standard to the Cadets in 1862, Col. Sever made a public address at the State House in the presence of the governor and other state officials, which was much commended for its aptness and for its ability.

For many years Col. Sever was recording secretary of the Society of the

Cincinnati, and was elected president of the same in 1866. In 1869, he was chosen vice president of the General Society of the Cincinnati, at the annual meeting held at Trenton, New York. He felt great interest in the objects and purposes of this society; and he always found it a pleasant duty to discharge the various offices which he held in that organization.

In 1868, Col. Sever established a scholarship in Harvard College, giving \$2,500 for that purpose. He directed the income to be given to meritorious under-graduates, preference being given to those from his native town, Kingston, or from Plymouth, the birth-place of his mother. He requested the selection of the beneficiary to be made without special reference to academic rank, and that "no sectional or denominational test" be required. He took a deep interest in this foundation, and it occupied his thoughts till the close of his days.

Late in life, as usual, he became inspired with a deep interest in the history of his ancestors. He secured the services of one of our most esteemed members, and proceeded to investigate and prepare for publication the history of the descendants of Robert Seaver, the emigrant, his great ancestor, from whom he was descended in the sixth degree.

His domestic life covered a period of thirty-five years, and was marked with few incidents. He married Dec. 7, 1836, Elizabeth Parsons, daughter of James Carter, of Boston, who survives him. They had no children.

In the spring of 1870, his health began to decline; this was followed by a prolonged illness, which ended in his death, January 16, 1871.

Col. Sever was a gentleman of marked traits of character, moral and intellectual. In his religious and political views he was eminently conservative. His integrity, firmness and intelligence qualified him for public employment. He had that true elevation of mind which commanded respect, and caused him to be esteemed by a select circle of acquaintances. He was chosen a resident member of this Society in May, 1869."

45. JOHN⁵ (*John³, William⁴, Nicholas³, Caleb², Robert¹*), b. Nov. 4, 1792; m. Oct. 10, 1825, Anna, daughter of Hon. Samuel Dana, of Groton. She was b. Aug. 28, 1800; d. Feb. 10, 1864. The maiden name of her mother was Rebecca Barrett. Mr. Seaver died at Kingston, Feb. 1, 1855. They had:—

- i. John, b. July 4, 1826; d. April 19, 1827.
- ii. Anna Dana, b. April 23, 1828.
- iii. Herbert, b. Aug., 1829; d. in October, 1830.
- iv. Charles William, died in infancy.
- v. Mary, b. Sept. 5, 1832.
- vi. Emily, b. Jan. 2, 1834.
- vii. Ellen, b. June 14, 1835; m. June 3, 1857, Rev. Theodore Tebbets, of Rochester, N. H., then pastor of the Unitarian Church in Medford, who died in the city of New York, Jan. 29, 1863, aged 31. Their only son, *John Tebbets²*, b. July 4, 1858, in Medford, Mass. She married Nov. 24, 1868, George Silsbee Hale, born in Keene, N. H., lawyer in Boston; one son, *Robert Seaver² Hale*, b. Oct. 3, 1869.
- viii. Martha, b. March 4, 1839; d. Nov. 3, 1864; in the service of the Sanitary Commission.

46. JAMES NICHOLAS⁶ (*John³, William⁴, Nicholas³, Caleb², Robert¹*), b. in Kingston, Dec. 13, 1793; m. Mercy Russell, Nov. 14, 1819, who died, and he m. Jane R. Nichols, Sept. 15, 1845. Mr. Seaver died April 9, 1869. Children by his wife Mercy:—

- i. George Russell, b. May 9, 1822; d. July 6, 1823.
- ii. James Russell, b. Feb. 27, 1823; d. Nov. 18, 1825.
- iii. James Nicholas, b. Jan. 20, 1828; died at sea, Oct. 21, 1846.
- iv. Sarah, b. June 30, 1829; d. April 15, 1831.
- v. Winslow Warren, b. Jan. 31, 1832; Protestant Episopal clergyman, of St. Luke's Hospital, in the city of New-York.
- vi. Charlotte Freeman, b. Dec. 17, 1833.
- vii. Mary Russell, b. Nov. 28, 1835; m. June 22, 1869, Rev. Henry L. Chase, of Dyersville, Iowa, b. in Milford, Vt., Sept. 9, 1832.

47. CHARLES⁶ (*John³, William⁴, Nicholas³, Caleb², Robert¹*), b. April 9, 1795; m. Jan. 15, 1827, Jane A. Elliot, b. in Waynesborough, Georgia, July 30, 1805, granddaughter of Dr. James Thacher, of

Plymouth, where he settled; d. in Plymouth, Oct. 17, 1834. She died in Boston, March 10, 1871, aged 65. They had:—

- i. Kate Elliot, b. Nov. 10, 1827.
- ii. John Elliot, b. Aug. 21, 1829.
- iii. Jennie Elliot, b. Nov. 7, 1831; m. Oct. 25, 1858, Alexander Madera Harrison, of Philadelphia, b. in New-Haven, Conn., May 27, 1829; of the U. S. Coast Survey. Children:—1. *William Sever⁸ Harrison*, b. Dec. 27, 1859. *Jennie Scaton⁸ Harrison*, b. Jan. 28, 1865.
- iv. Charles William, b. July 1, 1831; m. Mary C. Webber, granddaughter of Wendell Webber, Oct. 29, 1869, head of the house of Sever, Francis & Co., booksellers and publishers at Cambridge, where he settled. Children:—1. *Martha⁸* b. Feb. 17, 1865. 2. *George F.⁸* b. July 30, 1866. 3. *Frank W.⁸* b. Nov. 9, 1868.

48. SARAH WINSLOW⁸ SEVER (*John⁵ William⁴ Nicholas³ Caleb² Robert¹*), b. Sept. 3, 1798, in Kingston; m. Nov. 29, 1816, William Thomas, of Plymouth, born in Plymouth, March 15, 1789, son of Joshua Thomas. They had one child:—

- i. Ann Thomas, b. in Boston, July 29, 1817; d. in Plymouth, Nov. 26, 1855. She m. Nov. 25, 1846, Wm. Henry Whitman, b. in Pembroke, Mass.,⁸ Jan. 26, 1817. They had three children born in Plymouth:—1. *Isabella Thomas⁸ Whitman*, b. Oct. 19, 1848. 2. *Elizabeth Winslow⁸ Whitman*, b. Nov. 8, 1850. 3. *William Thomas⁸ Whitman*, b. June 30, 1853.

49. JOHN⁵ (*William⁵ William⁴ Joshua³ Joshua² Robert¹*), b. March 4, 1771; m. Lydia Porter, of Taunton. He lived near the Taunton River, was a farmer, and for many years town clerk; died Feb. 14, 1853. They had:—

- i. John, died unmarried.
- ii. Mary, m. Howard.
- iii. Benjamin, m. Susan Hull, of Raynham. They had: *Susan⁸* d. unmarried. *Julia⁸* *Martha⁸* m. Dr. Ira Sampson.
- iv. Sally, m. Christopher A. Hack, of Taunton.

50. NATHANIEL⁵ (*William⁵ William⁴ Joshua³ Joshua² Robert¹*), b.

Feb. 7, 1773; m. Hannah Loco. He resided in Boston, and was engaged in the shipping business for many years. He died Oct. 27, 1827. They had:—

- i. James, died unmarried.
- ii. Sophia.
- iii. Horace, unmarried, now living in Boston.
- iv. William, now living in Boston, has no children.
- v. Henry, died unmarried.
- vi. Amasa.

51. BENJAMIN⁶ (*William⁵, William⁴, Joshua³, Joshua², Robert¹*), b. April 28, 1777; m. Porter, of Taunton; was lost at sea. They had:—

- i. Margaret, m. Edward Mitchell, of Bridgewater.
- ii. Mary, m. Bela Mitchell, " "
- iii. James, died unmarried.

52. WILLIAM⁶ (*William⁵, William⁴, Joshua³, Joshua², Robert¹*), b. March 28, 1779; was a farmer, resided near the Taunton River, for many years selectman of the town, and county commissioner. He married Lydia Presbrey, of Taunton. Lydia died 1849. He died Feb. 8, 1869. They had:—

- i. Lydia P., b. June 9, 1799; m. Allen Danforth. She died in 1859.
- ii. Hannah B., b. Jan. 25, 1802; m. David Standish.
- 58. iii. William, b. 1804; d. 1859.
- iv. Hertilla, b. 1806; d. 1833; m. John Wade.
- 59. v. Samuel, b. 1808.

53. NATHAN⁶ (*Ebenezer⁵, William⁴, Joshua³, Joshua², Robert¹*), m. Rebecca Leonard, of Taunton. They had:—

- i. Rebecca, died unmarried.
- 60. ii. Ebenezer, b. in 1801.
- iii. Mary, m. Benjamin Spinney, of Lynn.
- iv. Caroline, m. Smith.
- v. Nathaniel Leonard, m. Carver, of Taunton; removed to Carverdale, Ill.
- vi. Angeline, m. Samuel D. Godfrey, of Taunton.
- vii. Nathan B., now residing in Taunton; m. Caroline Williams. Their children: 1. *Frank⁸* 2. *Mark H.⁸* 3. *Emily⁸* 4. *Henry W.⁸* 5. *Horace⁸*

54. SARAH⁶ (*Ebenezer³ Ebenezer⁴ Ebenezer⁵ Joshua² Robert¹*), b. April 8, 1797; m. Thomas Parker, July 27, 1820. They had:—

61. i. Thomas Henderson, b. May 21, 1821.
- ii. Lucy Elizabeth, b. March 11, 1823; d. April 20, 1862.
- iii. George Jackson, b. Dec. 31, 1825; d. Jan. 13, 1860.
62. iv. Augustus, b. Aug. 30, 1827; m. Mary Elizabeth Baker.
- v. Sarah, b. Dec. 21, 1828.

55. NATHANIEL⁶ (*Joshua³ Ebenezer⁴ Ebenezer⁵ Joshua² Robert¹*), b. Dec. 14, 1807; m. Ann Jane Codman, March 3, 1833. They had:—

- i. Ann Maria, b. in Jamaica Plain, Roxbury, 1831.
- ii. Nathaniel, b. in Boston, 1836; m. Marietta Mills White, daughter of William H. White, of Littleton, Mass., Nov. 21, 1865; have two children.
- iii. Harriet Augusta, b. in Boston, 1838; m. Ichabod Sampson, of Duxbury, Aug. 4, 1862.

56. BENJAMIN⁶ (*Abijah³ Nathaniel⁴ John⁵ Nathaniel² Robert¹*) b. Sept. 28, 1766; m. Debby Loud, daughter of Francis and Joanna (Dyer) Loud, May 25, 1794. He died June 29, 1815. They had:—

63. i. Benjamin, b. April 12, 1795; d. Feb. 14, 1856.
64. ii. Charles, b. Jan. 19, 1797.
65. iii. George, b. Dec. 13, 1798.
- iv. Francis, d. June 20, 1803.
66. v. Ann Francis, b. April 4, 1804; m. Hugh R. Kendall, Jr., May 17, 1826.

57. JOSEPH⁶ (*Abijah³ Nathaniel⁴ John⁵ Nathaniel² Robert¹*), bap. Jan. 20, 1771; m. Abigail, daughter of Elisha Whitney, Nov. 17, 1799. They had:—

67. i. Joseph, b. June 17, 1801.
- ii. Elizabeth Whitney, m. George Seaver (Par. 65), June 29, 1823.
68. iii. William Whitney, b. April 6, 1806.
- iv. Nathaniel, b. Sept. 21, 1809; d. unmarried.
- v. Abigail Dana, b. Sept. 16, 1810; d. unmarried.

58. WILLIAM⁷ (*William⁴ William⁵ William³ Joshua² Joshua¹ Robert¹*),

b. in 1804; removed to Providence; m. first, Louisa Olney; second, Elizabeth Ricketson. He died in 1859. They had:—

- i. William H., died in 1863, of disease contracted while in the U. S. service, 1861-2.
- ii. James A., now living in Providence; served during the war from 1861 to 1863, as lieutenant in the Rhode Island Artillery.
- iii. Mary, m. William Kenyon.
- iv. Elizabeth, m. John Easterbrook.

59. SAMUEL⁷ (*William⁶ William⁵ William⁴ Joshua³ Joshua² Robert¹*), b. in 1808; now residing in Taunton, on homestead of (William¹); m. Lepha M. Hodges, of Norton. They had:—

- i. Samuel L., now residing in Bridgewater; m. Lucy Byram; had one son, Charlie L.
- ii. George F., now living in Taunton; served during the war 1861-3, as lieutenant in Rhode Island Artillery; m. Jennie Montgomery, of Lakeville; had two children, one named Emma.
- iii. James E., now living in Taunton; served during the war 1861-63, as lieutenant of the 7th Mass. Vol.; m. Fannie E. Monagle.

60. EBENEZER⁷ (*Nathan⁶ Ebenezer⁵ William⁴ Joshua³ Joshua² Robert¹*), b. in 1801; m. Susan H. Harris. They had:—

- i. S. C., b. 1825; d. 1858.
- ii. Ebenezer, b. 1828; now living at Gallop's Island, Boston harbor.
- iii. Mark H., b. 1830; d. 1837.
- iv. Joseph, b. 1832; d. 1837.
- v. Ann E., b. 1835; d. 1839.
- vi. Mary E., b. 1840; d. 1843.

61. THOMAS HENDERSON PARKER⁷ (*Sarah⁶ Ebenezer⁵ Ebenezer⁴ Ebenezer³ Joshua² Robert¹*), b. in Dorchester, May 24, 1821; m. Oct. 4, 1849, Mary Joanna Cheever, born in Providence, R. I., Nov. 4, 1831. They had:—

- i. Howard Judson, b. in Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 21, 1850.
- ii. George Henderson, b. " " " Sept. 17, 1852.
- iii. Edward Wayland, b. near Hillsboro, " Nov. 3, 1855.
- iv. William Henry, b. " " " Feb. 12, 1858.

v. Abbott Arnold, b. near Hillsboro', Ohio, Mar. 21, 1859.
 vi. Seaver, b. " " " July 15, 1860.
 vii. Omar Noble, b. " " " July 17, 1861.
 viii. Stella, b. " " " Oct. 19, 1869; d. Aug. 12, 1870.

62. AUGUSTUS PARKER⁷ (*Sarah⁶ Ebenezer⁵ Ebenezer⁴ Ebenezer³ Joshua² Robert¹*), b. Aug. 30, 1827; m. Mary Elizabeth Baker, Nov. 16, 1854. They had:—
 i. William Prentiss, b. Dec. 11, 1857.
 ii. Lizzie Seaver, b. Oct. 5, 1861; d. Sept. 5, 1863.
 iii. Lucy, b. Sept. 7, 1863.
 iv. Mary Seollay, b. Aug. 3, 1869.

63. BENJAMIN⁷ (*Benjamin⁶ Abijah⁵ Nathaniel⁴ John³ Nathaniel² Robert¹*), b. April 12, 1795; m. Sarah Johnson, in Boston, Aug. 13, 1818; died Feb. 14, 1856. She was born in Leominster, June 17, 1796, and died Nov. 7, 1865.

The following notice of Mr. Seaver was furnished by Hon. George S. Hillard, of this city.

"Benjamin Seaver was born in Roxbury, April 12, 1795. In 1812 he entered the auction and commission store of Whitwell & Bond, as an apprentice. In 1816, when he had reached his majority, he was admitted as a partner, and the name of the firm was changed to Whitwell, Bond & Co. For a long period this house occupied a prominent position among the leading business firms of New-England, and none enjoyed more fully the confidence of the community. At the close of the year 1837, Mr. Whitwell and Mr. Seaver, in conjunction with Mr. Benjamin F. White, a special partner, formed a copartnership under the firm of Whitwell & Seaver. This firm was successful in business, and some years before his death Mr. Seaver was able to retire with a moderate competence.

In 1845, he was elected a member of the common council from ward five, and was re-elected in 1846 and 1847. The next year he changed his resi-

dence to ward four, but was retained in the council from his new constituency in 1848 and 1849. From July, 1847, he was president of the council, to the close of his term of service, two and a half years. He served in the house of representatives in 1846, 1847, and 1848. In 1850, he was elected to the senate, and was sent again the next year. In 1852 and 1853, he was mayor of the city of Boston. In all these public trusts Mr. Seaver was a diligent and conscientious public servant. He discharged the duties of all of them with exemplary punctuality and fidelity. He was uniformly courteous in manner, but firm in maintaining his own views. During his term of service as chief magistrate of the city, he was called upon to act on several questions on which the community was strongly divided. Mr. Seaver was always firm in adherence to his convictions, and though often bitterly assailed he never swerved from the line he had marked out for himself. During his term of office the Normal School for Girls and the Public Library were established, and various improvements were introduced into the public schools.

While yet a young man Mr. Seaver became much interested in the various societies and organizations in Boston for the relief of poverty and the removal of ignorance. He was an active member and officer of more than one of them. He made a public profession of his religious faith by becoming a member of the Twelfth Congregational Church in Boston, and long before his participation in political matters he held the office of deacon in the church under the pastoral care of the Rev. Samuel Barrett, D.D., and died in the office. Between him and his pastor there was an intimate and long continued friendship.

Mr. Seaver was eminently a public-spirited man. His thoughts, his time, his purse were ever at the service of every public cause which he espoused. According to his means, he was a generous benefactor to the poor.

In all the relations of private and domestic life Mr. Seaver was most estimable and amiable. No man had warmer friends, and no man better deserved to have warm friends. He had a sound understanding and a large

amount of practical sense, which, in addition to his perfect integrity and strong sense of justice, caused him to be often appealed to for the settlement of business questions. His manners were simple, cordial, and attractive; and both in matters of substance and matters of form he was a gentleman. He had a nice tact and a delicate perception of what was due to all men.

After leaving the office of mayor Mr. Seaver visited Europe, and also travelled in the western states.

Though never a man of robust frame, he had always enjoyed good health, and from his active temperament and methodical habits he was able to do a great deal of work. But for some months before his death it was evident that his health was affected, though no serious apprehensions were entertained. His disease proved to be a scirrhus or cancerous affection of the intestines, from which he must have suffered much. But his death, which occurred Feb. 14, 1856, was without pain. The frame of mind in which he died was happily expressed in a remark he made the day before his decease: "I am willing to go, though perhaps not ready." His funeral, which took place on Saturday, Feb. 16, at Rev. Dr. Putnam's Church in Roxbury, was largely attended. Dr. Putnam and Dr. Barrett officiated. On Sunday morning, Feb. 24, 1856, Dr. Barrett preached an excellent sermon, giving a very discriminating sketch of Mr. Seaver's character, which was listened to by a large congregation."

Benjamin and Sarah (Johnson) Seaver had:—

- i. Benjamin Francis, b. Aug. 14, 1820; m. Lucy Barrett Jewett, May 30, 1844, and died at Orange, N. J., Jan. 19, 1868; had four children: *Henry Gardner*,³ b. Oct. 16, 1845. *Lucy Jewett*,³ b. Sept. 15, 1849. *Grace Milton*,³ b. Oct. 18, 1851, d. young. *Benjamin Frank*,³ b. March 17, 1858.
- ii. *Henry Gardner*, b. Nov. 7, 1822; drowned while bathing in Charles River, June 23, 1838.
- iii. *Mary Elizabeth*, b. Sept. 8, 1825; m. *William Blanchard*, in Boston, May 3, 1847; had children:—*Sarah Lowell*,³ b. June 17, 1848, d. May 9,

1851; *Frances Kendall*, b. March 20, 1852; *Benjamin Seaver*,⁹ b. Sept. 22, 1856; *Mary Lambert*,⁹ b. June 20, 1860.

iv. *Charles Milton*, b. March 18, 1829.

64. **CHARLES**⁷ (*Benjamin*,⁶ *Abijah*,⁵ *Nathaniel*,⁴ *John*,³ *Nathaniel*,² *Robert*¹), b. Jan. 19, 1797; m. first, *Catharine Vose*; second, *Charlotte Webster*. He had by his wife *Catharine* :—

- i. *Catharine Frances*, m. *Rev. Jacob R. Scott*. They had :— *Charles S.*,⁹ *Frank R.*,⁹ *Annie L.*,⁹ By his wife *Charlotte* :—had one daughter, *Martha*,⁹ who m. *Walter H. Cowing*. They have a daughter *Grace*.
- ii. *Mary Ann Pratt*, m. *Emerson Leland*; had :— *Edward E.*,⁹ *Arthur Stevens*,⁹ *Herbert M.*,⁹

65. **GEORGE**⁷ (*Benjamin*,⁶ *Abijah*,⁵ *Nathaniel*,⁴ *John*,³ *Nathaniel*,² *Robert*¹), b. Dec. 13, 1798; m. *Elizabeth Whitney Seaver*, daughter of *Joseph*⁶ and *Abigail*. They had :—

- i. *George*, d. Aug. 10, 1825, aged 15 months.
- ii. *George W.*, m. *Petsey Baker*, April 5, 1853; had *George*,⁹ *Joseph*,⁹ *Frances A.*,⁹ *Mary F.*,⁹
- iii. *Abigail Frances*. v. *Elizabeth Augusta*.
- iv. *Joseph Augustus*. vi. *Ellen Maria*.

66. **ANN FRANCES**⁷ (*Benjamin*,⁶ *Abijah*,⁵ *Nathaniel*,⁴ *John*,³ *Nathaniel*,² *Robert*¹), b. April 4, 1804; m. *Hugh R. Kendall*, Jr., May 17, 1826. They had :—

- i. *Benjamin Frunk*, m. first, *Charlotte Fessenden*. Children :— *Frances Kendall*,⁹ *Hugh Fessenden*,⁹ *Charles Fessenden*,⁹ He m. second, *Elizabeth A. Sargent*, and had one child.
- ii. *Ann Frances*, m. *George E. Stone*, and had *Frances S.*,⁹ *George C.*,⁹
- iii. *Mary Louisa*, m. *Giovanni Scioncia*. They had *Elizabeth Barnes*,⁹

67. **JOSEPH**⁷ (*Joseph*,⁶ *Abijah*,⁵ *Nathaniel*,⁴ *John*,³ *Nathaniel*,² *Robert*¹), b. June 17, 1804; m. *Phoebe S. Elmes*. They had :—

- i. *Joseph H.* iv. *Maria E.*
- ii. *Emma*. v. *William Archer*.
- iii. *Thomas Elmes*. vi. *Frank*.

vii. Charles,
viii. Mary.

ix. James R. S.

68. WILLIAM WHITNEY⁷ (*Joseph,⁶ Abijah,⁵ Nathaniel,⁴ John,³ Nathaniel,² Robert¹*), b. April 6, 1806; m. Hannah Hunneman. They had:—

- i. George A.
- ii. William A., m. Helen Smith.
- iii. Joseph N., m. Mary Hamlenbach:—had *Blanche,⁹ Bessie,⁹* and one other child.
- iv. Hannah N.
- v. Alexander H., m. Abby Badger. They had *Charles,⁹ Cara,⁹ Daniel Badger,⁹*
- vi. Abby A., m. first, Warren White; second, Joseph Milner.
- vii. Frances A., m. Josiah Quiney; have no child.

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SEAVER.—The following is the title of a sermon on the death of William Seaver, a native of Roxbury, Massachusetts:—

“*Ignorance, the Parent of Crime.*” A Sermon occasioned by the Death of WILLIAM SEAVER, who was murdered on the evening of July 6, 1821; Preached before the Unitarian Society in the City of Washington, on Sunday, July 15th, by ROBERT LITTLE. Washington: Printed and sold by W. Cooper, sold also by P. Thompson, and Davis & Force. 1821. 8vo. pp. 20.

We glean a few facts in relation to Mr. S. from a statement which was communicated by a confidential friend of the deceased, and published in this pamphlet.

At the early age of 19 he commenced business on his own account. In 1814 he removed to Baltimore, but owing to the depressed state of commerce which succeeded and the unstable credit of the western merchants whose transactions formed the chief trade of Baltimore, he became embarrassed; he settled with his creditors, and left for Washington in the winter of 1818. In November, 1820, he was concerned in a grocery store in that city. On

Thursday, July 5, 1821, at 2 o'clock, p.m., he started for Alexandria with the intention of returning on Friday morning. In the afternoon of that day, having finished his business at Alexandria, he concluded to return on foot to Washington. Sunday morning, the toll-house keeper on the Alexandria road gave the alarming intelligence at Washington that the body of a murdered man had been found among the bushes, on the road side, near his house. It proved to be the body of William Seaver. According to appearances it had remained there from Friday evening, at which time the murder was probably committed. Liberal offers of reward were at once made by the authorities of the United States and the corporations of the cities of Washington, Georgetown and Alexandria, but nothing had been discovered at the time the discourse was printed relative to the catastrophe. Mr. Seaver left a wife and four children, the eldest of whom was thirteen years, the youngest sixteen months old.

A P P E N D I X.

ROBERT SEAVER'S POSSESSIONS.

Copied from the Town Records of Roxbury.

ROBERT SEAVER, his house and lot, one acre more or lesse, Butting upon John Bowels west, upon the highway and the riuer east, north and south; and two acres and a halfe, more or lesse, upon Phillip Elliot south and east, upon John Bowles north; and ten acres, more or lesse upon John Bowles north, and upon a highway south, and upon muddy riuer northwest; and four acres and a halfe, more or lesse, upon muddy riuer northwest, upon a highway east, upon William Lewis south, and upon William Heath's heires north; and four and twenty acres and a halfe lying in the first and third allotments of the last diuision, being the nine and twenty Acre lott, betweene Griffin Craft and M^r. Hugh Prichard; and fourteene acres within the thousand acres at Deddam; and four acres of salt marsh, more or lesse, lying in the Iland lately Captaine Hugh Prichards, abutting upon the land of William Curtiss east, upon Daniell Ainsworth and George Brand north, and upon the riuer south and west; and three acres, more or lesse, abutting upon the land of Robert Pepper north, upon William Curtisse east, upon John Ruggles Junior south, and upon the highway towards the great pond Northwest.

ABSTRACTS OF WILLS AND INVENTORIES OF THE
SEAVER FAMILY.

Copied from Suffolk Probate Office.

NATHANIEL² SEAVER. Inventory of Estate of Nathaniel Seaver [who was killed by the Indians, at Sudbury], taken May 19, 1676, by Thomas Weld sen^r. John Stebines. Amt. £327.16.

1 dwelling house, barne, 8 acres of land, more or lesse,	£130
house in y ^e towne street, w th land adjoyning	60
8 acres of land, more or lesse, plowing, meadow, pasture,	50

Sarah Seuer acknowledged, May 29, 1676, before Edw. Ting and Joseph Dudley Esq^{rs}.

ROBERT¹ SEAVER. Will. I, Robert Seavers, of Roxbury, in the County of Suffolke, sick and weake of body yet of good and perfect memory. My will is that after my decease my wife shall have halfe my Estate during her life, after the legacieis hereafter mentioned be disposed out of the whole, and also my will is as long as my wife shall remain my widow shee shall have liberty to continue in my house and to make use of such goods as are convenient for her, and also shee shall have a quarter part of the Orchard and the use of two Cowes and the garden as long as shee see meet to continue in the house and remain my widow; that when shee marryeth or see good to depart from the same shee shall have halfe the income of my Estate paid her, legacieis first disposed of, the use of my house, goods, Cows, garden and quarter part of the Orchard to my wife for her use as Superfluity besides halfe the incomes of my Estate, as long as shee continueth, and also my will is, that my wife shall have the inovables shee brought with her. After my decease my son Shuball shall have my barn; my son Shuball and my son Joshua all my Salt Marsh in the Island, to them and their heires for ever, and also my sons shall have no power to sell or alienate any of said marsh from their heires; and my will is that they shall change their parts every yeare as it is divided by a small Creeke, because one part is better

than the other, That after my decease, my son Caleb shall have that pasture land against his house upon the great hill; that my son Samuel Crafts, after my decease, shall have that piece of swamp from the Fence that runneth from the widow Heath's land straight over to the upland to the other side butting west upon the Brooke. That my Executo^r pay to John Seavers, my Grandchilde, six pounds at his marriage day, but if hee live not to marry then the same bee equally divided betweene my four Children before mentioned; that the other halfe of the income of my Estate bee equally divided, yearly, between my four Children, and after my wifes decease that all my lands and moveables bee also equally divided between my four children.

Son Samuel Crafts and son Caleb Seavers Executors; William Garey and Joseph Griggs Overseers.

Jau. 16, 1681.

Robert Seaver.

In the presence of us

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Phillip Searls,

John Craft.

Acknowledged July 5, 1683.

JOSHUA² SEAVER. Will. I, Joshua Seaver, of Roxbury, yeoman, being in a decaying age but of sound memory. 16th Sept. 1723. Debts and funeral Expences discharged. Unto my Wife, Mary Seaver, during her life, the Northerly End of my Dwelling House for her selfe and my Children that shall be unmarried to dwell in and Improve, and twelve pounds in Currant money Annually, and four barrells Cyder and wood sufficient for her fire, ready Catt and brought home fit for use, and one Cow for her use and benefit, maintained Summer and Winter Annually and free liberty to keep one Swine in the Yard about the House with other Convenience for the same, and also four bushells of Indian Corn and two bushells Malt, annually, as also a good Horse ready provided for her to ride upon when she shall have occasion for the same, all which articles shall be performed by my two sons, vizt. Ebenezer Seaver and Jonathan Seaver their heirs &c. in Equall proportion during her life. I also give unto my said wife all my moveable Estate, both within doors and without for her use and to her Disposse. To my son Joshua Seaver his heirs and assigns, forever, all my

housing and lands in Dorchester which he has already in the Improvement of, and sixty pounds more, twenty pounds whereof to be paid within 2 years after my decease, and fourty pounds to be paid within four years after the decease of my Executrix. Unto my son Robert Seaver his heirs and assignes, forever, all my Lands and rights of lands within the township of Woodstock, and sixty pounds which is in the hands of Ichabod Davis when it becomes due, and fourty pounds more at my decease, and ten pounds at the decease of my Executrix, which shall be paid by my sons Ebenezer Seaver and Jonathan Seaver in Equall proportion in the times when it becomes due. Unto my two sons Ebenezer Seaver and Jonathan Seaver their heirs and assignes forever all my houseing and lands, meadows, marshes, orcharding, woodland fences timber and apurtenances lying in Roxbury, to be divided betwixt them, my son Jonathan to have my dwelling House, Barn and all that Tract of Land and orcharding on the North-erly side of the Stone wall at a Little distance from the south end of my barn, and my son Ebenezer to have as many Acres or as much Land lying on the South side of said Wall, accounting what I have given him by Deed to be a part thereof, the said Wall to be a dividing line betwixt them through the orchard to the highway, and then to divide all my other Lands and meadows, marshes, and woodland in Roxbury equally betwixt them, their heirs, &c.

Unto my two Daughters, Mary Seaver and Sarah Seaver one hundred pounds to each, fifty at my decease and fifty to each within four years after the decease of my wife. Unto my dau. Jemima, wife of John Wood fifty pounds, within four years after the decease of my wife. If my daughters, Mary and Sarah remayne unmarried after the decease of my wife they shall have Convenient Room in my dwelling house and wood for their fire out of my wood land in Roxbury. My Wife Mary Seaver sole Executrix.

In presence of Jerijah Wales, John Wales,

James Capen.

Joshua Seaver.

Inventory of the Estate of Joshua Seaver, late of Roxbury. Deceased, taken by us, Aug. 25, 1730, Edward Bridge, John Payson, Sam^l. Stevens. Amt. £2590. 15. 6.

Personal Estate, moveables within Doors,

£220. 1. 6

moveables without Doors,	170.	14.	0
Real Estate—Housing and Land in Roxbury,	1770.	0.	0
" " in Dorchester,	400.	0.	0
All the Land in Woodstock,	30.	0.	0
Presented by Mary Sever, Executrix, Aug. 31, 1730.			Vol. 28, p. 80.

Lieut. JOSHUA⁴ SEVER. Inventory of the Estate of Lieut. Joshua Sever, late of Dorchester, Gent^{le}. dec'd (called sometimes victualler) taken by Thos. Trott, James Blake, Nath^l. Topliff, April 8, 1740. Amt. £1737. 6. 8. Books and Pamphlets, £8. 4; silver, £14. 7. 6; Negro Man Nuffe, £140; Quick Stock of Cattle, Horses, and Hogg^s, £135; Homestead House and Barn and 13 Acres Land adjoyn^g, £650; House Barn and Land bo^t of Maxfield, £150; six Acres of Salt Meadow, £96; Nine Acres of Fresh Meadow, £270. Mercy Sever and Joshua Sever Admin^r. Dec. 9, 1740.

Vol. 35, p. 115.

BENJAMIN⁴ SEAVER. John Davis and Thomas Mayo, Yeomen, both of Roxbury, Adm^r on Estate of Benjamin Seaver, Jan. 29, 1750.

Vol. 44, p. 226.

Inventory of Tracts of Land in the Town of Hardwick, co. Worcester, wherof Benj^l. Sever, of Roxbury, co. of Suffolk, Husbandman, died seized of.

One half of a Lott of Land distinguished by Lott No fifty, the whole Containing ninety Acres and lye in Common with the other half owned by Sarah Sever, sister of the dec'd, one half we apprise at twenty pounds 10^{cts}; one half of 133 acres &c. £10. 7.

April 23, 1751. Same day the Estate of said Benj. Seaver declared insolvent. Commissioners appointed.

Vol. 45, p. 31.

See Vol. 65, p. 71.

Two Third parts of 100 Acres of Land and 1½ Acre of Meadow lying in Leicester, co. of Worcester, being the Estate of Benj. Sever, late of Roxbury, Yeoman, dece^d undivided, wth the other third p^t. belonging to Sarah Seaver, of Roxbury, sister of the dece^d. Sept. 25, 1751.

Ibid. p. 228.

CALEB³ SEAVER. I, Caleb Seaver, of Roxbury, being of moderate health of body and of sound and disposing mind. Unto my Wife Sarah, convenient Housing and Cellar room and the use of the Well, as also the use of that peice of Orcharding and plowing Ground which lies between my Barn and the House of the late Hon^{ble}. Colonel Dudley, as part of her thirds and likewise the thirds of my whole Estate and the West End of the Barn, to hold during her life, and thirteen pounds, six shillings, eight pence lawfull Silver Money of this Province, to be paid by my Executors, within the space of twelve months after my Decease. Unto my only dau. Sarah Seaver one third part of my whole Estate both real and personal unto her, her Heirs, &c. forever. Unto my two grand dau^t. Sarah and Hannah Seaver, the other two thirds of my whole estate, both real and personal, upon Conditions that they discharge all the Debits contracted by my Son Benjamin Seaver in his life time and left unpaid at his decease. I appoint Aaron Davis and Obadiah Davis, Yeoman, sole Executors, May 15, 1751.

In presence of

Caleb Seaver.

Nathⁿ. Walter, Andrew White,

Mary White

Andrew and Mary White deposed Jan. 12, 1753.

Bk. 47, p. 163.

Inventory of the Estate, taken Jan. 23, 1753, by Benj. Smith, Nath^l Whiting, Joseph Mayo. Amt. £701. 10. 3. Buildings and Home Lot, £313. 6. 8; Pasture & small piece of Meadow, £220. Vol. 47, pp. 207, 219.

JONATHAN³ SEAVER. Division of Estate, by Rob^t. Spurr, Esq. and Messrs. Richard Hall, both of Dorchester, and Joseph Warren, Stephen Williams and Increase Sumner, all of Roxbury. Amt. £383. 12. To Anna, his widow, her thirds. Ebenezer, eldest brother of dece^d. to have the other two thirds, and to pay his bro. Rob^t. Seaver, representative of his brother Joshua Seaver and his sister Jemima Woods, 95 pounds, 18 shillings. Ap^l 11, 1755.

Vol. 50, pp. 28, 29.

Heirs agree^t May 31, 1755. (Vol. 50, p. 187.)

Jemima Woods, Joshua Seaver, Samuel Seaver, Wm. Seaver, Eliz^a. Wells,

SHUBAEL³ SEAVER. Will. July 25, 1755. I, Shuball Seaver, of Roxbury, Cordwainer, being advanced in age, but in a comfortable measure of health and of perfect mind, &c. My Will is, that my Orchard be sold after my Decease and y^e Money to be equally divided between my 3 sons and my grandsons, ye children of my dau. Abigail Hughs, dece^d, my said grandsons to have one single share. That my eldest son Shuball have £13. 6. 8. paid him in equal Proportion out of the shares of my sons David and Peter, and y^e sons of my dau. Hughs; my wearing apparel to be divided between my 3 sons. Unto my dau. Sarah Payson my House in which I now dwell, and the small House, adjoining, also, my Barn and Garden and all my moveables. I also give unto her all y^e Money I leave at my Decease, together with all my Bonds, Notes of Hand, Deeds, &c. and Rents. Funeral Charges and the Funeral Charges of my son Joseph to be paid in equall proportion among all my Children, & also, if any other Debt should appear (w^{ch} I know not of any at present) it be paid in y^e same manner. Appoint my said dau. Sarah Payson, with Capt. Eben^r. Dorr and Mrs. Edw^r. Dorr Exec^r. (The husband of Sarah Payson has not lived with her for 15 or 16 years. Capt. Eben^r. and Mr Edward Dorr to take into their possession for her use what her father by this will gave her.) If children complain, they shall have but 10 shillings. Shuball Seaver.

In presence of Jn^r. Richardson,
Benj. Curtis, Jacob Reeves,

Vol. 52, p. 11.

Proved Jan. 14, 1757.

Inventory of Estate, appraised by Ja^r. Williams, Eleazer Williams, Wm. Heath. Amt. £222. 1. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$. Roxbury, Feb. 2, 1757. Mansion House, Barn, &c., £120; Two Acres of Land, more or less near Gardners Green in Roxbury, £73. 6. 8. Vol. 52, p. 64.

ANNA SEAVER, widow of JONATHAN.³ Ebenezer Seaver, of Roxbury, Adm^r. on estate of, Aug. 6, 1762. After subdnetion of charges, a balance remains of the personal estate, of £58. 4. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$, which by law belongs to Sam^l. Heath, Hannah Giles, Susannah Gardner, Margaret Sever, Wm. Heath's representatives and Peleg Heath's representatives, Brethren and Sisters of the deceased. £9. 14. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ to each, or their legal Representatives. Oct. 29, 1762. Vol. 61, p. 64.

THOMAS³ SEAVER. Will. I, Thomas Sever, of Roxbury, Yeoman, being aged and infirm of body but of sound mind & memory. To my wife Elizabeth Sever, one third part of all my Real Estate for her use during her life, & my desire is that the Garden between my Dwelling House and Barn may be set off as part of her thirds if she desires it, and after my Wife's decease I give s^d third part to my six sons hereafter named and to their Heirs and assigns forever, in the same manner as I have disposed of the remainder of my real and personal estate among them. The remainder of my real and personal estate I give to my six sons; to son Thomas Sever one sixth of the whole of my real and personal Estate. [To sons Nicholas Sever, Nathaniel, Daniel, Elisha, Elijah, the same, with the exception that Eight pounds be deducted out of the sixth part of the latter] and divided equally between my other five sons, which sum aforesaid my wife let him take a Bond in his own name for. I appoint Capt. Eleazer Williams and Joseph Warren, of Roxbury, to be Executors.

Thomas Sever.

May 30, 1755.

Witness, Arthur Savage,
Joseph Belknap,
Sam^l. Ph. Savage.

Presented for Probate by Eleazer Williams one of the Executors therein named, Joseph Warren, the other, being deceased.

Samuel Phillips Savage made oath, as also, Arthur Savage.

Boston, Dec. 21, 1764.

Vol. 63, p. 244.

Inventory of the Estate of Thomas Sever, late of Roxbury, deceased, yeoman, taken Dec. 26, 1764, by Noah Perrin, Joseph Williams.

Mansion House, Barn & other Buildings with 10 acres of Land, more or less, adjoining	£280
Six acres of orchard mowing & pasture Land, more or less, on the South Side of the Great Hill	120
Forty acres, more or less, part mowing, part tillage & part pasture Land, adjoining M ^r Jon ^r . Crafts in Roxbury	333. 6. 8.
Ten acres Woodland in Newtown, more or less,	40
One Acre $\frac{3}{4}$, more or less, salt meadow in the Bottom,	26. 13. 4.
Two Acres, more or less, on the Island Marsh, in Roxbury,	13. 6. 8.
Two " , more or less, adjoining to M ^r Edw ^d Dorr's	21. 6. 8.
	834. 13. 4.

One Horse and Chaise £153. 4; Two Negro Girls at £40 each, &c. Whol amt. of Inventory £964. 18. 2.

Eleazer Williams, Executor, deposed. Dec. 28, 1764. Vol. 63, p. 248.
Thomas Seaver's Widow's Thirds set off, Apr. 19, 1765. Vol. 64, p. 130.

Thomas Seaver's Real Estate divided between two of the Heirs, Nath^l. & Elijah, to which the other Heirs agreed. Nath^l. paid Nicholas & Elisha, each, £153. 6. 8. Vol. 66, p. 3.

Elijah paid Thomas and Daniel the same, May, 1767. The widow's thirds had been previously set off.

Feb. 26, 1768. Thomas Seaver, of Northborough, co. Worcester, Cordwainer, appointed Guardian to Joseph Seaver, above the age of 14, son of Samuel, of Dorchester, co. Suffolk, cordwainer, deceased. Vol. 66, p. 155.

NATHANIEL⁴ Seaver's Will. I, Nath^l. Seaver, of Brookline, in the Co. of Suffolk. To my wife Sarah, the use & improvement of one third part of my whole Estate during her life, whom I constitute my sole executrix. To my eldest son, Abijah, £73. 6. 8; to my dau. Hannah Goddard, £43. 6. 8; to my dau. Lucy Mirriam, £13. 6. 8; to my dau. Mary, £80; to my dau. Elizabeth, £80; to my dau. Susannah, £80; to my youngest son, Nath^l. the whole of my estate, excepting the use and improvement of one third part thereof to his Mother during her life, he paying all my just debts and the Legacies aforesaid, viz. to his bro. Abijah, £10, which was left him by his grandfather White in one year and a half after my Decease, as also £73. 6. 8., in seven years after my Decease, without interest. To his sister Sarah Gardner, £10, which was left her by her Grandfather White, in 4 years after my Decease. The Reason I gave my dau. Sarah no more is because she rec^d. her full proportion of my Estate at the time of her marriage; to his sister Hannah Goddard £10 left her by her grandfather White in 2½ years after my decease, as also, £43. 6. 8. in 5 years after my decease, without interest. To his sister Lucy Mirriam. £10, left her by her grandfather White, in 6 mo. after my decease, as also £13. 6. 8. in 3 years after my decease, without interest. To his sister Mary, £80, in 5 years after my decease or at the time of marriage, if she marry before the 5 years expire, to be without interest. To his sister Elizabeth, £80, in 7 years after my decease or at the time of marriage, if she marry before the 7 years expire,

without interest. To his sister Susanna, £80, in 9 years after my decease or at the time of marriage if she should marry before the 9 years expire, to be without interest.

Nathaniel Sever.

In presence of us,

Wm. Ackers, Hannah Stevens, Benj^a. White,
who deposed Nov. 18, 1768.

Vol. 67, p. 109.

Inventory of the Estate priz'd at Brookline, Dec. 8, 1768, by Wm. Ackers, Nehemiah Davis, Benj. White.

Lands and Buildings, £1098. Chaise and Tackling, £4. &c. Sarah Seaver, executrix, presented the inventory, March 10, 1769. Vol. 67, p. 198.

MARY⁴ SEAVER, May 26, 1769. Ebenezer Seaver, of Roxbury, Yeoman, appointed Administrator of Estate of Mary Seaver, late of Roxbury, spinster, dec'd. intestate. Robert Williams and Abijah Seaver, both of Roxbury, Yeomen, became bound.

Vol. 68, p. 37.

SUSANNA⁴ SEAVER'S Will. May 23, 1769. I, Susannah Sever, of Roxbury, of sound mind and memory. Unto my sister Sarah Newell's son Samuel 100 acres of land in Coldrain, co. Hampshire, being part of 600 acres laid out to me there, he the said Newell to have the first choice, the s^d 100 acres lying in one Intire platt. Unto my sister Hannah Seavers 3 sons, to be equally divided among them 100 acres more of said 600 acres of land aforementioned, Lying in one Intire platt as my Executor hereafter named, shall choose for them. Unto my bro. Ebenezer's son Ebenezer, 100 acres more of said 600 acres of Land, aforementioned, Lying in one Intire plat as my Executor shall choose for them. Unto my bro. Joshua Seaver, all my other Estate, Real and Personal, to his use and disposal. Bro. Joshua Seaver, Executor.

Susanna Seaver.

In presence of us,

Timothy Wales

Enoch Glover

Elisha Snell who deposed Oct. 6, 1769.

Vol. 68, p. 161.

ROBERT² SEAVER'S Will. Sept. 10, 1764. I, Robert Seaver, of Roxbury, of perfect mind, &c. Wife Ruth Seaver, sole executrix. To my wife the improvement of the whole of my Land & House and Barn during her

Widowhood, also Wood for her fier, & not to sell any wood. Also, to wife Ruth, £26. 13. 4., & my Horse and two Cows and one swine & my household Goods, except one bed & Covered. To my brother Ebenezer Seaver & his Heirs, a Piece of Salt Marsh, in Roxbury, bounded Southwest on Marsh of Eben'. Cheney, Southeast on Marsh of Eleazer Williams, Northwest on a Creek. To John Woods, £2. To Richard Woods, £3. To Hannah Gold's Children, £4. To Jemima Davises Children £4. To Mary Seaver, Sister Jemimas dau. £1, & to her dau. Mary Webb [Webb], £3; to Mercy Green, £2; to Abigail Trass [Trask], £4; to Susanna Alliens Children, £5; to Sarah Davis, £6; to Olive Turner, dau. of Elisha & Esther Turner, £2, & a feather bed & a covered. To my bro. Joshua's Children, £10, each of them, Joshua, William and Elizabeth, & £10 to Sam'l. Seaver's children. My will is that these sums be paid within 2 years after my decease. I give for the use & benefit of the School in the Westerly End of this town, 6^o, to be paid yearly after my decease, by the possessor of a certain piece of land in Roxbury, bounded Southeast on the Road leading from Boston to Deadham, Southwest on Land of Ebenezer Whiting, Northwest on a Lane leading to Needham. To Elizabeth Bird, £8. What remains after my wives decease be equally divided amongst my brother Joshua and Ebenezer's and sister Jemima's children. If need be to pay the sums beforenamed, my Executrix may sell part of my land.

Robert Seaver.

In presence of us,

Vol. 70, p. 16.

Benj. Smith,

Sam'l. Perry,

Henry Smith, who deposed Jan. 25, 1771.

Inventory of estate apprized by Benj. Smith, Jeremiah Richards, Ezra Davis. Presented Feb. 15, 1771.

Vol. 70, p. 35.

Dwelling House and Land w th Lands adjoining,	£192
by estimation 28 Acres,	80
One piece of Land about 15 Acres,	25
Another piece, about 2 Acres,	42
Pasture Land, 10 Acres,	12
Meallow, 4 Acres,	40
Salt Marsh, 7 Acres,	
&c. &c.	
	£391

Presented by Sam'l. Perry Adm^r.
Feb. 15, 1771.

EBENEZER³ SEAVER'S Will. Sept. 13, 1755. I, Eben^r. Seaver, of Roxbury, Yeoman, being weak of body but of perfect mind and memory. Unto Margaret, my wife, the improvement of one third part of my real Estate, during her life. I give my wife one half of my In door Moveables, to be at her own disposal. I also give my wife one Cow to be kept Winter and Summer for her benefit by my son Joshua, during her life. I likewise give my wife the Southerly End of my Dwelling House, for her, and her two Daughters, Mary Seaver and Susanna Seaver, to live in during her life and also wood for their fire ready Cutt and brought home to the House fit for Use. My will is that after the decease of my wife my two daughters Mary and Susanna shall have convenient room in my Dwelling House to live in so long as they remain unmarried. I also give [them] the other half of my In door Moveables not before disposed off. Unto my dau. Hannah Seaver, £13. 6. 8. lawfull money, the one half at my Decease & the other half at the Decease of my Wife to be paid by my son Joshua, this with what I gave her at Marriage and since to be her full share of my estate. Unto my dau. Sarah Newell, £13. 6. 8., lawful money, the one half at my decease and the other half at the Decease of my wife, this with what at marriage and since to be her full share of my estate. Unto my dau. Mary Seaver, £40, one half at my decease, the other half at the decease of my wife, to be her full share; dau. Susanna Seaver, £40 [upon same conditions]. Son Ebenezer Seaver Jun^r. his heirs and assigns one half of a small piece of wood land lying near Thomas Hows which I purchased of John Trescott, and my will is that my son Eben^r. shall have the fourth part of lands which falls to me or my Heirs after the Decease of Anne Seaver, widow of Jonathan Seaver, late of Roxbury, dec^d., this with what I have given him before to be his full share & portion of my Estate. Unto my son, Joshua Seaver, his Heirs and Assigns, forever, all my Lands in Roxbury, House, barn, orchards, salt Marsh and fresh Meadow, fences and timber, Cart and Wheels, Tools, Horse and Trooping, Furniture, Ploughs, Horse Tacklings, Cattle, and &c. also the remaining half of the afores^d woodland near Thomas Hows; and my will is that my said son Joshua shall keep a Gentle Horse and Chaise for his Mother to ride in so often as she has occasion during her life. My two sons Eben^r. Seaver Jun^r. and Joshua Seaver sole executors.

Eben^r. Seaver.

In presence of us.

Vol. 73, p. 72.

Robert Spur, John Spur, Wm. Spur.
John Spur deposed (Wm. absent, Robert deceased) Sept. 3, 1773.

Inventory of Estate, apprized by Eben^r. Cheney, Abijah Waite and Wm. Heath, Sept. 14, 1773.

House, Barn, out houses, about 21 acres mowing, orcharding and plowing land, being the Homestead, £161. 13. 4.; 28 Acres Pasture Land adjoining Homestead, £186. 18. 4.; 2 Acres Salt Meadow, called Abrahams Swamp, £16. 13. 4.; 4 Acres Wood and Pasture Land adjoining Susannah Williams' Land, £26. 13. 4.; 2 Acres Fresh Meadow in the Great Meadow, £10. 13. 4.; 1½ Acre Wood and Meadow Land near Dea. Davis island, £16; about 1 acre wood Land near Mr. Howes, Dedham, £1. 10.; 4 acres Salt marsh in the island, so called, £32; 1¼ acre of Do. near old island Bridge, £9. 6. 8.; ¾ acre do. in the Bottom, £10; pew in Rev. Mr. Adams' Meeting House, £10; 1 acre wood land near Mr. Howes, Dedham, £1. 10. Total, £1074. 14. 7.

Eben^r. Seaver, Executor, presented the above and made oath, Oct. 8, 1773. Vol. 73, p. 112.

JOSHUA⁴ SEAVER'S Adm^r.—Sept. 17, 1773, John Newell, of Newton, Co. Middlesex, Yeoman, and Eben^r. Seaver of Roxbury, Co. Suffolk, Gentleman, admitted Adm^r. of the estate of Joshua Seaver, late of Roxbury, Yeoman, dec^d. intestate. Timothy Wales, of Dorchester, Yeoman, and James White, of Roxbury, yeoman, became bound, &c. Vol. 73, p. 91.

Executors Acct. Vol. 73, p. 249.

Distribution, £147. 1. 9. as follows: To Eben^r. Seaver, eldest son, 2 shares, £98. 14. 8.; unto Sarah Newell, Representatives of Peter Seaver and Joshua Seaver, a single share, £49. 8. 4. March 18, 1774. Vol. 73, p. 262.

Inventory. Dwelling House, £60; Barn and other building, £26. 13. 4.; Mowing and Tillage Land, £120; Pasture Land, £140; Meadow, £10; Wood and Pasture Land, £20; Fresh Meadow, £8; Wood and Meadow Land, £7. 10; Salt Marsh, £45; 1200 acres of wild land lying in the Township of Colrain, £180; 50 acres improved land in s^d Town, £23. 15. 5. Total, £1125. 5. 1.

Sam^l. Whittemore, John White, Abijah Seaver, Appraisers. Eben^r. Seaver, Adm^r. presented the same, Ap^l. 7, 1774. Vol. 73, p. 277.

Joshua Seaver's Real Estate appraised by Richard Hall, Nath^l. Ruggles, John Goddard.

Dwelling house, barn & other buildings	£ 75.
Home Lott. whereon the Dwelling House & buildings stand, containing about 21 $\frac{1}{4}$ acres	531. 5.
Pasture Land adjoining about 29 acres	193. 6. 8.
The above the whole of the Farm that lies together.	
Salt Marsh in the Island Marshes in Roxbury containing about 5 acres	60.
Wood and Meadow Land in Roxbury, near Dea. Davis's, about 3 acres.	20.
Meadow Land called Abraham's Meadow about 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres	20.
Meadow Land in what is called the great Meadows in Roxbury, about 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres	11. 5.
The following Lots, is land that lies undivided with the Land of Eben ^r . Seaver, Bro. to y ^e dec ^d . The 1 st Lot being Wood and Meadow Land, about 4 acres	£ 40:
Salt Marsh, lying by the Place where the old Island Bridge stood, something more than 1 acre	11.
Salt Marsh in what is called y ^e bottom Marshes Roxb ^y . Woodland in Dorchester, $\frac{3}{4}$ acre & 40 Rods	2. 8.
Lots of wild Lands in y ^e Township of Colrain, Co. Hampshire, about 1200 acres at 3s. per acre	180.
	1155. 9. 8.

Vol. 74, p. 52.

Nicholas Seaver, Inventory. Amt. £218. 4. 8. May 29, 1778.

Vol. 77, p. 69.

Elisha Seaver's Inventory. Amt. £72. 15. 6.

Vol. 77, p. 137.

Abijah Seaver's Inventory, appraised Nov. 5, 1776.

Amt. £1583. 18. 8.

Vol. 77, p. 165.

EBENEZER^r SEAVER'S Will. Dec. 24, 1784. I, Eben^r. Seaver, of Roxbury, being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory. Wife Tabitha Seaver and son Eben^r. Seaver, of Roxbury, Executors. Executors to make sale of all my lots of wild or unimproved lands in the Co. of

Hampshire, and to give a good Deed thereof. To my wife, Tabitha, the improvement of one third part of my real estate, while she remains my widow, but in case she marry again my will is that her improvement of the third part of my real estate ceases and that she receive in lieu thereof, the sum of £12, lawfull money p^t. annum during her life. £6 thereof to be paid annually by my son Eben^r, the other £6, by my son Joshua. I also give her all the household furniture which she brought me when I married her. To my two sons Ebenezer Seaver and Joshua Seaver and to their Heirs and Assigns, forever, all my Housing and Lands in Roxbury, to be equally divided between them, two thirds after my decease and the other third the improvement of which is assigned to my wife, in like manner after her decease or marriage. To my said two sons all my wearing apparell, stock & other personal estate, except what is herein otherwise disposed of, to be equally divided between them. To my son Ebenezer Seaver, my Silver Tankard. The reason why I have not given my son Eben^r a larger portion of my Estate is in consequence of the expence I have bestowed on him in Education. To my dau. Hannah Seaver, £100, lawfull money, to be paid her by her brother Ebenezer, in 4 years after my decease or at the time of her marriage should she marry before the period above mentioned. I also give her all the household furniture which her mother brought me when I married her, and my pint silver Can. Hannah shall live in my house while she remains unmarried, and her bro. Ebenezer shall supply her with such firewood as may be necessary for her comfort. To my dau. Margaret Seaver, £100 lawfull money, to be paid her by her bro. Joshua, when he arrives at the age of 21. In case there should be a surplusage of money arising from the sale of my unimproved lands in the Co. of Hampshire, after all my Debts are paid such surplusage shall be equally divided between my 4 children, Eben^r, Joshua, Hannah and Margaret, Wm. Heath, James White, Eben^r. Bugbee.

They deposed April 12, 1785.

Eben^r. Seaver.

Vol. 84, p. 96.

Inventory of the Estate, appraised by
Eben^r. Wales, Jonas Prescott, James White.

Mansion House, £150; New Barn and other out buildings, £60; 28 acres of mowing, tillage and orcharding in 5 different departments near the

Mansion House, at £24 per acre, £672; 8 Acres of Pasture Land, Davis's Hill, so called, at £10, £80; 21 ditto of ditto, &c. adjoining the above, at £8, £168; 2½ Acres land called Abrahams Swamp, at £6, £15; 8½ acres wood land at £6 per acre, £49. 10; 11½ Acres woodland lying near Dedham at 42s, £21. 13. 6.; ¾ of an acre lying in Dedham, £2. 2; 4 acres Salt Marsh near Pine Island, at £5, £20; ½ acres ditto, near the Tide Mill at £6, £15; 1½ do. do. at £7. 10, £11. 5.; ¾ do. do. £7. 10; 1½ do. do. bottom Marsh so called at £16, £24; 2 acres Fresh Meadow, at 80s, £8. Total £1307. 6.

5 Lotts of Land in the town of cold Rain in Co. of Hampshire, containing one 100 acres each, 2 of said Lotts at £75, £150, 3 of do. at £30, £90. Total £240.

1 Lott of do in Warwick, Co. aforesaid, 66 acres at 6s, £10. 6.

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PETER SEAVER. May 16, 1786. Sarah Seaver of Roxbury, Widow, admitted Adm^x of the Estate of Peter Seaver, late of Roxbury, Glazier, dec^d. Eben^r. Seaver, Gentleman, and Geo. Simmons, Yeoman, both of Roxbury, bound, &c. with said Sarah.

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